



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2022 Maryland General Assembly Session

March 7, 2022
Schedule 37

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED *February 25, 2022*

SB 1001 Senator Edwards

PROPERTY TAX – WITHHOLDING OF PROPERTY FROM TAX SALE – DEMOLITION

Authorizing a county or municipal corporation to withhold a property from tax sale if the county or municipal corporation intends to demolish a vacant and blighted building or structure that is unsafe or unfit for habitation on the property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TP, § 14-811(c) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 1002 Senator Eckardt

CHARTER AND CODE HOME RULE COUNTIES – COUNTY PROPERTY LEASES – NOTICE EXEMPTIONS

Authorizing a charter or code home rule county to enter into a lease without giving certain notice if the lease is not renewable and has a term of 5 years or less.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

LG, § 10-312 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

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SB 1003 Senator Eckardt

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE – PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER OR NEWSPAPER IN GENERAL CIRCULATION – ONLINE NEWSPAPERS

Altering the meaning of “newspaper” or “newspaper in general circulation” when referring to the publication of a certain legal advertisement or legal notice to include certain publications that are offered in a print format or through a dedicated website under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

GP, § 1-113 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 1004 Senator Eckardt

HEALTH INSURANCE – PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS – REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNTS

Altering how a pharmacy benefits manager may determine reimbursement for a pharmacy or pharmacist; and authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to require a pharmacy benefits manager to pay a certain fee in addition to the required reimbursement amount to a pharmacy or a pharmacist and to adopt regulations that include a process for reviewing and recalculating the reimbursement amount.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

IN, § 15-1628.3 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 1005 Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions), et al

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DIVESTMENT FROM RUSSIA

Requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to review investment holdings in eligible accounts to determine the extent to which these funds are invested in Russia–restricted investments; requiring the Board of Trustees to take certain divestment actions; prohibiting the Board of Trustees from making certain new investments; providing certain immunities from liability for certain persons; requiring the Board of Trustees to act in good faith in taking certain actions in a certain manner; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SP, § 21-123.3 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 1006 Senators Guzzone and Feldman**HEMP FARMING PROGRAM – USE OF HEMP AND HEMP PRODUCTS
IN CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS**

Altering the definition of “hemp” and “hemp product” in provisions of law relating to the Hemp Farming Program; and authorizing a person that produces hemp or a hemp product in accordance with the Program to include the hemp or hemp product in consumable products for sale by the person if the product is tested by an independent testing laboratory to ensure the product meets applicable safety standards and the total tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of the hemp product does not exceed 1% on a dry weight basis.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

AG, §§ 14-101, 14-201, 14-202(e), 14-301, and 14-309 - amended and § 14-303.1 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 1007 Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – University System of Maryland)**UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – ACADEMIC FACILITIES
BONDING AUTHORITY**

Increasing the bonding authority from \$1,400,000,000 to \$1,700,000,000 for the University System of Maryland; approving certain projects for the acquisition, development, and improvement of certain academic facilities for the University System of Maryland; authorizing the issuance of bonds by the University System of Maryland for financing the projects; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

ED, § 19-102(c)(1) and (d)(4) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 1008 Senator Simonaire**REFERENCES TO ARMED FORCES – INCLUSION OF THE UNITED
STATES SPACE FORCE**

Amending certain provisions of law that mention the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard to include the United States Space Force.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

AB, §§ 3-505 and 4-506, BR, § 19-501, FL, § 9-108(a), and PS, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 1009 Senator Zucker

PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS OF STATE DEBT – ALTERATIONS

Amending certain prior authorizations of State Debt to alter the requirement that certain grantees provide certain matching funds; extending the termination date of certain grants; altering the authorized uses of certain grants; and changing the names of certain grantees.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

Various Chapters of the Acts of Various Years, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED *February 25, 2022***SJ 11** Senator Hough, et al

SOLIDARITY WITH THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

Stating that the State of Maryland stands in solidarity with the government and people of Ukraine as they resist the unprovoked invasion of their territory by the Russian Federation.

Assigned to: Senate Rules