Please note: The following legislation was prefiled for the 2023 Session.

House Bills Introduced January 11, 2023

HB 1 Delegate Wilson

Civil Actions – Child Sexual Abuse – Definition and Statute of Limitations (The Child Victims Act of 2023)

Altering the definition of “sexual abuse” for purposes relating to civil actions for child sexual abuse to include any act that involves an adult allowing or encouraging a child to engage in certain activities; repealing the statute of limitations in certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse; repealing a statute of repose for certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse; providing for the retroactive application of the Act under certain circumstances; etc.

Effective October 1, 2023


Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 2  Delegate J. Lewis
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – UNION DUES
Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain union dues paid during the taxable year; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TG, § 10-208(cc) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 3  Delegate Bartlett
MARYLAND STATE POLICE GUN CENTER – FIREARMS SURRENDERED UNDER FINAL PROTECTIVE ORDERS
Altering the purpose of the Maryland State Police Gun Center to include the tracking, screening, and vetting of all firearms surrendered under final protective orders in the State; and requiring each law enforcement agency to report to the Center the number and type of firearms surrendered, the jurisdictions where the firearms were surrendered, and certain information regarding the individual who surrendered each firearm under final protective orders.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
PS, §§ 5-801 through 5-803 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 4  Delegate Crutchfield, et al
CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL CRIMES – REPEAL OF SPOUSAL DEFENSE
Repealing a certain prohibition on prosecuting a person for rape or a certain sexual offense against a victim who was the person’s legal spouse at the time of the alleged rape or sexual offense.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CR, § 3-318 - repealed
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 5  Delegate Hartman

EDUCATION – PLAYGROUND ACCESSIBILITY – COMMUNICATION BOARDS

Requiring county boards of education to construct communication boards in each public school playground on or before October 1, 2028; and defining “communication board” as a device that displays photos, symbols, or illustrations to enable individuals with limited language skills to express themselves and communicate.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

ED, § 7-132 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 6  Delegate Hill

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – ENERGY–CONSERVING STANDARDS (MARYLAND SUSTAINABLE BUILDINGS ACT OF 2023)

Requiring the Department of General Services to establish and periodically update standards for State buildings to conserve energy and minimize adverse impacts on birds; requiring the Maryland Green Building Council to include the standards in any requirements established for participation in a higher–performance building program in the State; defining “State building” as one acquired, constructed, or renovated by the State or one for which 50% of the money for acquisition, construction, or renovation came from State funds.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SF, § 4-410.1 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations
HB 7 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo

ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT REBATE PROGRAM – RENEWAL

Altering the Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program by extending the duration of the Program through fiscal year 2027, increasing the total amount of rebates issued annually under the Program to $2,000,000, repealing the rebates that may be issued to retail service station dealers, limiting the issuance of rebates to one recharging system per individual per address, and authorizing the Maryland Energy Administration to offer additional benefits under certain circumstances; etc.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
SG, §§ 9-2009 and 9-20B-05(f)(11) and (12) - amended and § 9-20B-05(f)(12) - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 8 Delegate Amprey

COUNTIES AND STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS – FOOD ENVIRONMENT REPORTS

Requiring the departments of Housing and Community Development, Planning, Human Services, and Agriculture jointly to produce a report to the General Assembly for each county and State legislative district on the food environment in the county and district on or before July 1, 2024, and every 2 years thereafter; requiring the reports to include metrics that determine food insecurity zones; authorizing the departments to collaborate with certain universities, nonprofit organizations, and local planning and zoning departments; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
HS, § 6-308.5 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 9  Delegate Ruth, et al

EQUITY IN TRANSPORTATION SECTOR – GUIDELINES AND ANALYSES

Requiring that equity be considered when State transportation plans, reports, and goals are developed; altering the membership of the advisory committee on State transportation goals; requiring the Maryland Department of Transportation to conduct transit equity analyses, cost–benefit analyses, and consult with certain communities before announcing or proposing any major service change or any reduction or cancellation of a certain capital expansion project in the construction program; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
TR, §§ 2-103.1 (d), (h), and (j) and 7-101 - amended and §§ 7-714 through 7-716 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 10  Delegate Adams

CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM – TALBOT COUNTY

Requiring membership in the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System for certain local detention center officers of Talbot County in the event Talbot County becomes a participating governmental unit in the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System; and providing that certain local detention center officers who join the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System and receive certain service credit shall no longer be members of the Employees’ Pension System and shall have no further rights to any benefit in the Employees’ Pension System.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

SP, § 31-2B-08 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 11  Delegate Stewart
PRIVATE WELL SAFETY ACT OF 2023
Establishing the Private Well Safety Program in the Department of the Environment to manage and, subject to the availability of certain funding, address the contamination of certain private and domestic water supply wells in the State; establishing the Private Well Safety Fund to award grants to certain counties and households for costs associated with water quality testing and remediation; requiring the Department to utilize an online portal to receive and upload certain information; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
EN, §§ 9-4A-01, 9-4A-04 through 9-4A-10, and 9-4A-13 and RP, § 10-713 - added and EN, § 9-4A-01 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 12  Delegate J. Lewis
EQUITABLE AND INCLUSIVE TRANSIT–ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT ENHANCEMENT ACT
Establishing the Transit–Oriented Development Capital Grant and Revolving Loan Fund to promote the equitable and inclusive development of transit–oriented developments; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; authorizing the Department of Transportation to use the Fund to provide financial assistance to local jurisdictions; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation sufficient to ensure a fund balance of at $10,000,000 at the start of the fiscal year; etc.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TR and SF, Various Sections - amended and TR, §§ 7-103 and 7-1201 through 7-1205 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)169. - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Ways and Means

HB 13  Delegate Crutchfield
HATE CRIMES – CIVIL REMEDY
Providing that a person who is the victim of an act that would constitute a violation of certain hate crime laws may bring a civil action against the person or persons who committed the act in a court of competent jurisdiction; and authorizing the court to impose an injunction and award certain economic and noneconomic damages.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CR, § 10-309 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 14  Delegate Atterbeary  
FAMILY LAW – GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE  
Repealing the authority of the court to decree a limited divorce; and altering certain grounds for an absolute divorce.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023  
FL, § 7-102 - repealed and § 7-103 - amended  
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 15  Delegate Rogers  
INCOME TAX SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – MILITARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT INCOME  
Increasing the amount of certain subtraction modifications under the Maryland income tax for individuals who are at least 55 years of age for certain retirement income received as a result of the individual’s military service or attributable to the individual’s employment as a correctional officer, a law enforcement officer, or a fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023  
TG, § 10-207(q) and (mm) - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 16  Delegate J. Lewis  
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – TITLE IX – NOTICE (HEAR OUR VOICES ACT)  
Requiring each public school to provide information to students, faculty, staff, and parents regarding who serves as the Title IX coordinator for the school, the process in place for filing a sexual misconduct complaint, and the support measures that are in place for filing a sexual misconduct complaint and how to access the support measures.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023  
ED, § 7-132 - added  
Assigned to: Ways and Means
**HB 17**  Delegate Stewart

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS – RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS – SEATING FOR EMPLOYEES

Establishing requirements related to the provision of seating for employees employed at retail establishments in the State that have 20 or more retail employees for each working day in each of 20 or more calendar weeks; establishing enforcement mechanisms, including by creating a private right of action; and providing a penalty of $100 per pay period for an initial violation and $200 per pay period for subsequent violations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
LE, § 3-710.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 18**  Delegate Hill

MARYLAND GENERAL AND LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY ACT – ASSISTANCE WITH GOVERNMENTAL BENEFITS AND PROGRAMS

Altering statutory forms for a limited and general power of attorney to include certain provisions relating to the authority of an agent to perform certain acts to assist the principal in meeting eligibility requirements and qualifying for certain governmental benefits or programs; and altering a certain provision in a certain statutory form for a limited power of attorney relating to the authority of an agent to make a gift of part or all of a principal’s property or to take certain action with respect to certain trusts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
ET, §§ 17-202 and 17-203 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 19**  Delegate Cullison

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS – LICENSE AND REGISTRATION ISSUANCE AND RENEWALS – ELECTRONIC MEANS

Requiring the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists to issue electronic licenses and certificates; repealing the requirement that the Board include certain information on each license and registration; and requiring the Board to send renewal notices by first-class mail if the electronic notice is returned as undeliverable, or on a specific request by the registrant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HO, §§ 18-306 and 18-309 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 20  Delegate Lehman, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – HORSE RIDING – HELMET REQUIREMENT FOR MINORS
Prohibiting an adult from allowing certain minors to ride a horse, donkey, mule or pony on a highway, public–horse–riding path, or any other property open to the public or used by the public for pedestrian or vehicular traffic unless the minor is wearing a helmet that meets or exceeds the standards of the American Society of Testing and Materials for protective headgear used in equestrian riding.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
TR, § 21-104 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 21  Delegate Atterbeary

PROPERTY TAX – TAX SALES – NOTICES AND PAYOFF AMOUNT FOR REDEMPTION
Requiring that the holder of a certificate of sale include the e–mail address of certain persons in certain notices required to be sent to certain persons with an interest in a property that is sold at a tax sale; authorizing the owner of owner–occupied property sold at a tax sale to request the current payoff amount to redeem the property; providing that the payoff amount to redeem the property provided by the holder of the certificate to the owner of the property is valid for 30 days; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TP, § 14-833(a-1)(3) and (5)(ii) - amended and § 14-833(a-1)(5)(ii) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 22  Delegate R. Long
ELECTION LAW – ABSENTEE BALLOTS – SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS AND VERIFICATION

Prohibiting a local board of elections from removing an absentee ballot from a return envelope or ballot/return envelope or counting the ballot unless the return envelope or ballot/return envelope is signed by the voter and, except under certain circumstances, a witness, and the local board verifies the voter’s signature; and providing that the witness signature requirement does not apply to active duty uniformed services members serving overseas or their spouses or dependents who live overseas.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EL, §§ 9-303 and 9-310(a)(5) and (c) - amended and § 9-310.1 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 23  Delegate Stewart
MANUFACTURED HOMES – SALE OF MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMUNITIES (MANUFACTURED HOUSING MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2023)

Requiring the owner of a manufactured housing community to comply with certain requirements when selling the manufactured housing community; requiring the owner, at least 60 days prior to entering into a contract for the sale of the community, to provide notice of the terms of the offer to each homeowner in the community and provide homeowners the opportunity to purchase the manufactured housing community; and providing that the community owner is liable to the homeowners organization for $10,000 under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, §§ 8B-401 through 8B-405 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 24  Delegate Szeliga
SALES AND USE TAX – MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS – EXEMPTION

Exempting the sale or rental of musical instruments to be used by students in elementary school, a secondary school, or a postsecondary institution, or is registered with a local school system as receiving home instruction from the sales and use tax.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TG, § 11-245 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 25  Delegate Acevero
PUBLIC HEALTH – HEALTHY MARYLAND PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Healthy Maryland Program as a public corporation and a unit of State government to provide comprehensive universal single-payer health care services for residents of the State by January 1, 2025; establishing requirements and prohibitions related to Healthy Maryland, including provisions regarding eligibility, participation by and payments to health care providers, benefits, payroll premiums, funding, and collective negotiations with health care providers; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
HG, IN, and SF, Various Sections - added and amended and IN, §§ 31-104 and 31-105(a) - repealed
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 26  Delegate Bagnall
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PSYCHOLOGISTS – LICENSURE QUALIFICATION

Requiring that an individual to be licensed as a psychologist by the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists must have a doctoral degree in psychology from a certain school or university, received a postdoctoral respecialization certificate from a certain department of psychology, completed at least 1,500 hours advanced training or precertification hours of service as a registered psychology associate, and at least two years of professional, supervised experience in psychology approved by the board.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HO, §§ 18-101(c) and 18-302(f) - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 27 Delegate Griffith

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT – FLORAL WIRE SERVICES

Requiring a floral wire service to adopt clear and concise billing practices in dealings with local florists or third-party sellers; requiring a floral wire service to disclose to a customer when the floral wire service is buying from a floral wire service and not directly from a local florist; requiring a floral wire service to provide to local florists or third-party sellers a method for submitting charge disputes; providing that a violation of the Act constitutes an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxv) - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxxvii) and 14-1327 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 28 Delegate Lehman, et al

INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR CAREGIVERS OF SENIOR FAMILY MEMBERS

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for qualified expenses paid or incurred by a caregiver during the taxable year in caring for a qualified senior family member; and defining “qualified senior family member” as an individual who is at least 60 years of age, is a relative of the taxpayer, and resides on the same property as the taxpayer’s permanent place of residence for at least 6 months of the taxable year.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TG, § 10-757 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 29 Delegate Holmes

RESIDENTIAL OWNERS IN COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES BILL OF RIGHTS

Establishing a bill of rights for unit owners of a condominium, members of a cooperative housing corporation, and lot owners of a homeowners association.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, § 1-105 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 30 Delegate Stein
ENVIRONMENT – ON–SITE WASTEWATER SERVICES – BOARD, FEES, AND PENALTIES
Altering the composition of the State Board of On–Site Wastewater Professionals; clarifying and altering the distribution of certain fees and penalties; and clarifying the application of certain license requirements and penalties.
EMERGENCY BILL
EN, §§ 9-217.2, 9-11A-06(a), and 9-11A-15 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 31 Delegate Love
ENVIRONMENT – PRODUCTS AND PACKAGING – LABELING, MARKETING, AND ADVERTISING FOR RECYCLING
Altering certain plastic resin labeling requirements for rigid plastic containers and plastic bottles to require the “chasing arrows” symbol; altering the capacity of the plastic bottles to which the plastic resin labeling requirements apply; establishing plastic resin labeling requirements for plastic bags; prohibiting the display of a certain symbol on plastic bags, plastic bottles, and rigid plastic containers if the bags, bottles, and containers do not meet certain requirements; prohibiting certain environmental marketing claims; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EN, § 9-1710 - amended and §§ 9-2501 through 9-2506 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

HB 32 Delegate Charkoudian
MARYLAND FOOD SYSTEM RESILIENCY COUNCIL
Establishing that the Maryland Food System Resiliency Council is in the Office of Resilience in the Maryland Department of Emergency Management; and altering the process for electing a cochair of the Council.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
PS, §§ 14-1101 and 14-1102 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 33 Delegate Love, et al
COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – BIOMETRIC DATA PRIVACY
Regulating the use of biometric data by private entities, including by requiring certain private entities in possession of biometric data to develop a written policy, made available to the public, establishing a retention schedule and guidelines for permanent destruction of biometric data; prohibiting an entity that collects biometric data from selling, leasing, or trading an individual’s biometric data; authorizing an individual alleging a violation of the Act to bring a civil action against the offending private entity; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CL, §§ 13-301(14)(xxxv) and 13-408 - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxxvii) and 14-4501 through 14-4506 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 34 Delegate Hill
FAILURE TO PAY RENT PROCEEDINGS – PROHIBITION ON RENT INCREASES AND SEALING OF COURT RECORDS
Prohibiting a landlord from increasing a tenant’s rent because a judgment was entered against the tenant in a failure to pay rent action; requiring the District Court to seal all court records within 60 days after the final resolution of a failure to pay rent proceeding under certain circumstances; requiring the District Court to seal all court records relating to a failure to pay rent proceeding, on motion by a tenant, under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Judiciary to publish on its website a certain form; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
RP, §§ 8-119 and 8-401(i) - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Judiciary
HB 35  Delegate R. Long

ELECTIONS – IN–PERSON VOTING – PROOF OF IDENTITY

Requiring an election judge to establish a voter’s identity by requiring the voter to present a valid government–issued photo identification or a valid nongovernment–issued photo identification, and a current bill, statement or check that states the voter’s name and address as proof of identity; requiring a voter to vote a provisional ballot if the voter is unable to provide certain proof of identity; and prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully voting or attempting to vote under a false form of identification.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EL, §§ 10-310 and 16-201 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 36  Delegate Lehman, et al

REAL PROPERTY – ACTIONS TO REPOSSESS – PROOF OF RENTAL LICENSURE

Requiring, in certain actions to repossess residential rental property, a landlord to submit to the clerk of the court evidence of compliance with local rental property licensure requirements and demonstrate that the landlord is compliant with the licensure requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, §§ 8-401(b)(2), 8-402(b)(1)(i), and 8-402.1(a)(1)(i) - amended and § 8-406 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 37  Delegate Stewart

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – TELEPHONE SOLICITATION (STOP THE SPAM CALLS ACT OF 2023)

Prohibiting a person from making certain telephone solicitations to a certain called party in a certain manner by restricting the methods, times, and identifying information that the person making the call may utilize; and making a violation of the Act an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice that is subject to enforcement and penalties under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxv) - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxxvii) and 14-4501 through 14-4504 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 38  Delegate Acevero

NO–KNOCK WARRANTS

Repealing the authority for the issuance and execution of a no–knock search warrant; and establishing procedures for the issuance and execution of a search warrant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CP, § 1-203 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 39  Delegate Charkoudian

EFFECTIVE CORPORATE TAX RATE TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2023

Requiring a publicly traded corporation that is required to file a Maryland income tax return to attach a statement identifying the corporation’s effective tax rate and an explanation of the calculation of the effective tax rate; and requiring that the statement be made under oath, signed in in the same manner as required for income tax returns, subject to audit by the Comptroller, and treated as confidential taxpayer information.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TG, § 10-804(e) - amended and § 10-804.2 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 40  Delegate Solomon

PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS – GENDER–INCLUSIVE SIGNAGE

Requiring that single–occupancy public restrooms be marked with gender–inclusive signage that does not indicate a specific gender, contains certain descriptive language, and contains a picture or icon that does not indicate a specific gender in certain places of public accommodation and certain public buildings; providing that a county is responsible for enforcing the signage requirement in places of public accommodation; and authorizing a county to set certain fines for second and subsequent violations after a certain period of time.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SF, §§ 2-801 and 2-803 - amended and § 2-803 - added and SG, § 20-307 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Health and Government Operations
HB 41  Delegate Williams

ELECTION LAW – CURBSIDE VOTING – ESTABLISHMENT

Providing that voters are eligible for curbside voting under certain circumstances; requiring that curbside voting be made available to all registered voters with disabilities; and establishing requirements governing curbside voting, including requirements related to the establishment of curbside voting locations and how to vote at a curbside voting location.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EL, §§ 1-101(p-1) and 10-316 - added and § 9-102(f) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 42  Delegate Lopez

COURTS – JUDGMENTS – EXEMPTIONS FROM EXECUTION

Exempting up to $500 in a deposit account or other accounts of a judgment debtor held in certain financial institutions from execution on the judgment without an election by the debtor to exempt the money; establishing a $6,000 limit on the cumulative value of property and cash that may be exempted; and requiring a writ of garnishment issued for certain accounts to instruct the garnishee that it is to garnish only a certain amount.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CJ, § 11-504 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 43  Delegate Atterbeary

PROPERTY TAX – TAX SALES – PAYMENT OF BALANCE AFTER FORECLOSURE

Requiring each county to establish a process for a person entitled to any balance over the amount required for the payment of taxes, interest, penalties, and costs of sale to claim the balance after a tax sale foreclosure; and requiring the collector of taxes for a county to notify the prior property owner, within 90 days after delivering a deed to a purchaser, of the amount of a certain balance and the process for claiming the balance.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TP, § 14-818 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 44 Delegate Lopez

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – PREGNANT INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS – SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT

Requiring that a pregnant incarcerated individual be screened for substance use disorder at intake, regardless of the jurisdiction or the length of the individual’s sentence, be referred to health care providers, and be provided with certain medications and treatment; requiring a correctional unit to arrange for health insurance coverage and follow-up health care before release of a pregnant incarcerated individual; and requiring that a pregnant incarcerated individual be provided with medical records on release.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CS, § 9-601.2 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 45 Delegate R. Long

HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT PROGRAM – NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY – LEAD REGISTRY AND CODE COMPLIANCE

Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to include with a required notice to a homeowner about the homestead property tax credit certain information regarding a homeowner’s obligation to register residential rental property constructed before 1978 with the Maryland Department of the Environment and to comply with State and local building and housing codes for rental property.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
TP, § 9-105(f) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 46 Delegate Lehman, et al

CORPORATE INCOME TAX – COMBINED REPORTING

Requiring affiliated corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain combined reporting method; authorizing certain corporations, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, to determine certain income using the water’s edge method; providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland corporate income tax for certain changes to a certain combined group’s deferred tax assets or liabilities that are the result of certain provisions of the Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
TG, §§ 10-311 and 10-402.1 - added and § 10-811 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 47 Delegate Bartlett
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – MEDICAL PAROLE – LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Repealing provisions relating to gubernatorial approval of a decision of the Maryland Parole Commission to grant medical parole to an inmate serving a sentence of life imprisonment.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CS, § 7-309 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 48 Delegate Bagnall
MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – COLLABORATIVE CARE MODEL SERVICES – IMPLEMENTATION AND REIMBURSEMENT EXPANSION

Repealing the Collaborative Care Pilot Program; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to expand access to and provide reimbursement for services provided in accordance with the Collaborative Care Model under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 49 Delegate Amprey
ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND RACIAL RECONCILIATION ACT

Establishing the Commission for Economic Justice and Racial Reconciliation to study racial disparities in wealth and resources as a result of tax laws and systems in place in the State from the Reconstruction Era through the enactment of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964; requiring the Commission to make recommendations relating to compensation of the State’s African American communities for the racial disparities identified, to study possible sources of State funding, and to make recommendations for legislation; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 50  Delegate Lopez

ACTION TO COLLECT A PRIVATE EDUCATION LOAN – REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Prohibiting private education lenders and private education loan collectors from initiating a certain action unless the private education lenders or private education loan collectors possess and enter into evidence certain documents; requiring a private education loan collector to provide certain information to a student loan borrower in a certain manner and on the request of the borrower; authorizing a person that suffers damage from a creditor’s failure to comply with the Act to bring an action against the creditor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CJ, §§ 5-1301 through 5-1304 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Judiciary

HB 51  Delegate Korman

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM AND DEBT LIMIT OF GRANT ANTICIPATION REVENUE VEHICLE BONDS (STATE AND FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING ACT)

Requiring the financial forecast that supports the Consolidated Transportation Program to include a reserve of $30,000,000 for changes in certain revenue sources; altering the calculation of the maximum amount of debt secured by future federal aid that the Department of Transportation may issue; providing that the maximum amount of debt that may be issued is calculated as of June 30; and providing that the proceeds from the issuance of certain debt may be used only for certain purposes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TR, § 2-103.1(m) and § 3-601 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 52  Delegate Foley

CONDOMINIUMS – SALES CONTRACTS – ASBESTOS DISCLOSURE

Establishing the unenforceability of contracts for the sale of condominium units that do not contain certain notice relating to the presence of asbestos.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

RP, §§ 11-126(a) and 11-135(a)(4)(x) and (xi) and (5) and (g)(1) - amended and § 11-135(a)(4)(xii) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 53 Delegate Forbes

HUMAN SERVICES – MARYLAND STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL

Codifying the Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council as an instrumentality of the State to submit, monitor, implement, and evaluate the State Plan under the federal Rehabilitation Act in conjunction with a certain State entity; establishing a Board of Directors for the Council; and requiring the Attorney General to be the legal advisor to the Council.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
HU, §§ 7-1001 through 7-1007 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 54 Delegate Cardin

SPORTS WAGERING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS PARITY ACT OF 2023

Repealing a prohibition on applicants for and holders of a certain video lottery operation license and persons who own an interest in video lottery facility operations in the State from directly or indirectly making contributions to certain campaign finance entities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EL, § 13-237 - repealed
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 55 Delegate Holmes

LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CONDOMINIUM AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – REPAIR AND REHABILITATION FUNDS

Authorizing a county or a municipality to establish a certain fund for the purpose of providing support for the repair of infrastructure in a community subject to a condominium association or a homeowners association; and requiring that certain property tax revenues be assigned to a fund created under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
LG, § 1-1318 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 56 Delegate Charkoudian

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – DUAL LANGUAGE EDUCATION – TEACHER CERTIFICATION, PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION, AND STUDY

Requiring the State Board of Education and the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board to adopt regulations for the certification of and renewal of a certificate for dual language teachers in public schools on or before December 31, 2024; requiring the State Department of Education to develop guidelines for implementing dual language immersion programs in public schools; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
ED, §§ 6-704.2 and 7-132 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 57 Delegate Atterbeary

PROPERTY TAX – TAX SALES – REQUIREMENT TO SELL

Repealing certain limitations on the authority of certain local governments to set the time by which a property with taxes in arrears must be sold by the tax collector.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TP, § 14-808 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 58 Delegate Korman

OPEN MEETINGS ACT – STATE ETHICS COMMISSION (MARYLAND STATE AGENCY TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2023)

Establishing enhanced requirements under the Open Meetings Act for the State Ethics Commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
GP, § 3-307 and Chapter 346 of the Acts of 2022, § 2 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 59  Delegate Hill
HEALTH AND WELLNESS STANDARDS – CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

Requiring the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, with the advice of the Secretary of Health, to update certain minimum mandatory standards for inmate food services to reflect certain practices and guidelines; establishing the Correctional Facilities Health and Wellness Pilot Program to establish minimum mandatory standards for inmate food services in facilities participating in the Program; and requiring the Secretary of Health to adopt health and wellness standards for certain facilities.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CS, § 8-103 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Judiciary

HB 60  Delegate Stewart
HOUSING INNOVATION PILOT PROGRAM AND HOUSING INNOVATION FUND – ESTABLISHMENT (HOUSING INNOVATION PILOT PROGRAM ACT OF 2023)

Establishing the Housing Innovation Pilot Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide funds for certain mixed-income, cross-subsidized housing and to create opportunities to increase the volume of housing production; establishing the Housing Innovation Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to be used only to provide low- or no-interest loans to local housing authorities; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
HS, §§ 4-512 and 4-2901 through 4-2907 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 61  Delegate Charkoudian
UTILITY CONTRACTORS – EMPLOYMENT AND LICENSURE – REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION

Altering the application of a provision of law that requires investor–owned electric companies and gas and electric companies to require contractors and subcontractors on certain projects to take certain actions related to employment and licensure; and altering the actions that the contractors and subcontractors must take with respect to apprenticeship programs and wages.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
LE, § 3-416 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 62 Delegate Charkoudian

LAND USE – PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES – POLLINATOR–FRIENDLY VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Prohibiting local jurisdictions from imposing certain limitations and land use restrictions on pollinator–friendly vegetation management activities of public service companies within property, easements, or rights–of–way of public service companies under certain conditions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
LU, §§ 1-401 and 10-103 - amended and § 4-215 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 63 Delegate Charkoudian

CERTIFIED LOCAL FARM AND CHESAPEAKE INVASIVE SPECIES PROVIDER PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Altering the Certified Local Farm Enterprise Program to be the Certified Local Farm and Chesapeake Invasive Species Provider Program; expanding the purpose of the Program to include food from certified Chesapeake invasive species providers in the overall percentage goal for certain procurement contracts; and altering the Certified Local Farm Enterprise Food Aggregation Grant Fund to be the Certified Local Farm and Chesapeake Invasive Species Provider Food Aggregation Grant Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
ED, § 9.11-101, SF, §§ 11-203(e)(5)(i) and 14-701 through 14-708, and TP, § 13-209(g)(3)(i)2. - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 64 Delegate Davis

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – CORRECTIONAL OMBUDSMAN

Establishing the Correctional Ombudsman in the Office of the Attorney General; requiring the Ombudsman to conduct investigations, reviews, and assessments of administrative acts taken by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services or in relation to individuals confined by the Department; requiring the Ombudsman to refer matters for criminal charges or disciplinary proceedings when appropriate; establishing the Correctional Ombudsman Advisory Board; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
CS, §§ 8-114 and 8-117 - amended and SG, §§ 6-701 through 6-708 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary and Health and Government Operations
HB 65  Delegates S. Johnson and Charkoudian  
EDUCATION – PUBLIC LIBRARIES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING  
Authorizing employees of certain public libraries to form, join, and participate in an employee organization and engage in certain other activities related to collective bargaining; requiring certain employers and certified exclusive representatives to engage in good faith bargaining; establishing a collective bargaining process for employees of certain public libraries; prohibiting employers and employee organizations from engaging in certain actions regarding the exercise of an employee’s rights under the Act; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023  
ED, §§ 23-601 through 23-614 - repealed and §§ 23-901 through 23-912 - added  
Assigned to: Appropriations  

HB 66  Delegate Bartlett  
CIRCUIT COURTS AND DISTRICT COURT – DISHONORED CHECKS – SERVICE CHARGES  
Increasing the amount of the service charge from $10 to $30 that may be imposed by a circuit court or the District Court for a dishonored check.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023  
CJ, §§ 7-208 and 7-301(d) - amended  
Assigned to: Judiciary  

HB 67  Delegate R. Long  
SALES AND USE TAX – ALTERATION OF RATE DUE TO INFLATION  
Decreasing, from 6% to 5%, the sales and use tax rate for a 12–month period beginning July 1 if a certain inflation rate, as determined by the Comptroller, is at least 6%.  
EMERGENCY BILL  
TG, § 11-104(k) - added  
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 68  Delegate Korman
ELECTRICITY – NET ENERGY METERING – ACCRUAL OF NET EXCESS GENERATION (NET METERING FLEXIBILITY ACT)

Authorizing an eligible customer–generator to accrue net excess generation for an indefinite period; requiring an eligible customer–generator that elects to accrue net excess generation for an indefinite period to forfeit any net excess generation at the time an account is closed; and altering the month used to establish an annual billing cycle for the payment of net excess generation accrued.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
PU, § 7-306(f) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 69  Delegate R. Long
EDUCATION – STUDENT BEHAVIOR – PARENT AND GUARDIAN NOTICE AND REQUIRED COUNSELING (PARENT AND GUARDIAN ACCOUNTABILITY ACT)

Establishing that it is unlawful for a parent or guardian of a student in a public school to fail to seek and participate in counseling with the parent’s or guardian’s child after receiving notice of violent and disruptive behavior; and requiring a public school principal to provide written notice to the parent or guardian of a student who engages in two or more incidents of violent and disruptive behavior in a public school during the school year.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
CJ, § 3-8A-30.1 and ED, § 7-304.2 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 70  Delegate Charkoudian
SAFE ACCESS FOR ALL (SAFE) ROADS ACT OF 2023

Requiring the Department of Transportation to recommend and implement certain design elements for pedestrian and bicycle safety when developing any construction or improvement project, or postconstruction project, preservation, or maintenance; and requiring the State Highway Administration to submit certain reports including pedestrian and bicycle safety data, analyses, and plans to the General Assembly by certain dates.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
TR, §§ 2-103.1(c-1) and 2-609 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations
HB 71  Delegate Sample–Hughes
MOTOR VEHICLES – SCHOOL VEHICLE DRIVERS – MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Requiring a school vehicle driver to pass an appropriate medical examination before employment and once during each 2 years of employment.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TR, § 16-816 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 72  Delegate Watson
BUSINESS REGULATION – CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of “charitable contribution” to exclude donations of property made with the intent to redistribute without charge for a benevolent, educational, eleemosynary, humane, patriotic, philanthropic, or religious purpose and an authorization for or a discount on the use of certain services or materials, equipment, or facilities for purposes of provisions of law regulating charitable organizations and charitable representatives.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
BR, § 6-101(c) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 73  Delegate R. Long
HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – CALCULATION OF CREDIT FOR DWELLING PURCHASED BY FIRST–TIME HOMEBUYER

Authorizing certain local governments to allow, by law, a first–time homebuyer in the State to calculate the homestead property tax credit for property that includes a newly purchased dwelling using a certain method; requiring that the credit for a newly purchased dwelling be calculated in a certain manner; and providing that a certain homeowner may receive the larger of the homestead property tax credit amounts as calculated using certain methods.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
TP, § 9-105(e)(1) and (2) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 74 Delegate Korman

TRANSPORTATION – MARYLAND RAIL AUTHORITY – ESTABLISHMENT (MARYLAND RAIL INVESTMENT ACT OF 2023)

Establishing the Maryland Rail Authority and the powers and duties that the Rail Authority, acting on behalf of the Department of Transportation, has with respect to the supervision, financing, construction, operation, maintenance, and repair of railroad facilities projects; altering the membership of the Maryland Transportation Authority to include the Executive Director of the Rail Authority; prohibiting the Transportation Authority from passing a budget plan that exceeds a certain amount; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
TR, §§ 4-205.1 and 9-101 through 9-401 - added and Various Sections - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations and Environment and Transportation

HB 75 Delegate J. Lewis

MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – DIGITAL BAY BUSINESS DIVERSITY PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Digital Bay Business Diversity Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to provide grants to nonprofit organizations to establish diverse and effective business incubators; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $2,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026 through 2030; prohibiting an organization from receiving from the Corporation a grant in excess of $250,000; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
EC, § 10-490 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 76 Delegate Acevero

CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION OF MINORS – ADMISSIBILITY OF STATEMENTS

Establishing a certain rebuttable presumption that a statement made by a minor during a custodial interrogation is involuntary and is inadmissible in a juvenile or criminal proceeding against the minor under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CJ, § 10-925 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 77  Delegate R. Long

BALTIMORE COUNTY – HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT NOTICE – PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring Baltimore County to work with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to identify certain properties in the county that are eligible for a certain homestead property tax credit; and requiring that the homeowner of certain properties be provided a certain notice.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
TP, § 9-105(f) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 78  Delegate Palakovich Carr

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – ANAPHYLACTIC FOOD ALLERGIES – GUIDELINES

Requiring each county board of education to adopt, implement, and publish guidelines in accordance with the Maryland State school health service guidelines to reduce the risk of exposure to anaphylactic causative agents in classrooms and common areas; requiring each public school to develop a system to disclose the major food allergens contained in the foods served in the school; and requiring the principal of a certain public school to implement certain strategies and monitor and implement certain guidelines; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
ED, § 7-426.1 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 79  Delegate Stewart

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – WHOLE–HOME REPAIRS ACT OF 2023

Establishing the Whole–Home Repairs Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide grants to certain local administering agencies for the purposes of ensuring that owner–occupied and rental units are free of habitability concerns, improving coordination across home repairs programs, and increasing retention in workforce development programs; and establishing the Whole–Home Repairs Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HS, §§ 4-512 and 4-2901 through 4-2904 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 80 Delegate Holmes
REAL PROPERTY – REGULATION OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS

Creating the State Board of Common Ownership Community Managers in the Maryland Department of Labor to oversee the licensing of community managers who provide management services for common ownership communities; providing that certain provisions of the Act do not prohibit certain persons from providing certain services under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to be issued a license by the Board before providing management services for a common ownership community under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
BOP, BR, CA, RP, SF, and SG, Various Sections - renumbered, added, and amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 81 Delegate Amprey
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – LIVE NEAR WHERE YOU TEACH PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Authorizing the Community Development Administration in the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer a home buyer assistance program and certain community development projects that assist certain school staff members with the purchase of homes near where the school staff member is employed.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HS, §§ 4-215.2 and 4-217(f) - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 82  Delegates Charkoudian and Cullison
MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND CHILDREN’S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS – SCHOOL–BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES – REIMBURSEMENT
Requiring, on or before December 1, 2023, the Maryland Department of Health to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a State plan amendment authorizing certain reimbursement of behavioral health services when provided in a school setting by certain health care providers under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program or the Maryland Children’s Health Insurance Program.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HG, § 15-151 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 83  Delegate Atterbeary
PROPERTY TAX – TAX SALES – REDEMPTION
Requiring a tax collector to make certain attempts to contact a certain plaintiff or holder of a certificate of sale regarding certain expenses; and authorizing a collector to redeem certain property without a certain satisfaction letter if a plaintiff or holder of a certificate of sale fails to respond within 5 days after certain attempts by the collector to make contact.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
TP, § 14-843(a) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 84  Delegate Forbes
MARYLAND NONPROFIT DEVELOPMENT CENTER PROGRAM – NONPROFIT, INTEREST–FREE, MICRO BRIDGE LOAN (NIMBL) ACCOUNT – FUNDING
Altering, beginning in fiscal year 2024, the percentage to be paid by the Comptroller from the Small, Minority, and Women–Owned Businesses Account to the Nonprofit, Interest–Free, Micro Bridge Loan (NIMBL) Account within the Maryland Nonprofit Development Center Program Fund; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $1,000,000 for fiscal year 2025 for the Fund to be used for certain loans under the NIMBL Account.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
SG, § 9-1A-27(a)(6) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
**HB 85**  Delegate J. Lewis

**EDUCATION – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES – CLASS SIZE**

Repealing the prohibition on a public school employer negotiating the maximum number of students assigned to a class.

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023**

ED, § 6-408(c)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 86**  Delegate Qi

**DISCLOSURE OF TAX INFORMATION – MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESS RETIREMENT SAVINGS BOARD – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing, subject to certain limitations, the disclosure of certain tax information to the Maryland Small Business Retirement Savings Board and its authorized contractors for the purposes of administering the Maryland Small Business Retirement Savings Program and Trust.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023**

TG, § 13-203(c) - amended and § 13-203(e) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 87**  Delegate Stewart

**SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS – WAIVER – DIAPERS AND MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS**

Requiring the Department of Human Services to apply for a waiver to allow benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or the Special Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for Women, Infants, and Children to be used to purchase diapers or menstrual hygiene products, if the U.S. Department of Agriculture makes the waiver available.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023**

HU, § 5-507 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 88  Delegate Acevero
PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN AFFILIATION OR SUPPORT BY POLICE OFFICERS
Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to prohibit police officers from affiliating with, supporting, or advocating for White supremacist groups, ideologies, or causes or participating in or actively promoting a certain extremist group.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
PS, § 3-207(m) - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 89  Delegate Acevero
MARYLAND PEOPLE’S FUND – ESTABLISHMENT
Establishing the Maryland People’s Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; requiring the interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law requiring interest earnings on State money to accrue to the General Fund of the State; and requiring the Comptroller to distribute to the Fund 25% of the Maryland estate tax.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 90  Delegate Foley
LOCAL GOVERNMENT – REGULATORY POWERS – CONTROL OF RUNNING BAMBOO
Authorizing the governing bodies of counties to adopt ordinances relating to the upkeep and containment of running bamboo.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
LG, § 13-412 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 91 Delegate Amprey
ENVIRONMENT – RECYCLING – HOTELS
Requiring an owner, an operator, or a manager of a hotel to provide recycling for the guests of the hotel and recycle certain materials on or before October 1, 2024; authorizing a county to require an owner, an operator, or a manager of a hotel to report recycling activities to the county in a certain manner; and authorizing an enforcement unit, officer, or official of a county, a municipality, or any other local government to conduct inspections of a hotel to enforce certain provisions of the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EN, § 9-1711.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation

HB 92 Delegate Holmes
GROUND LEASES – COLLECTION OF RENT, INTEREST, FEES, AND OTHER EXPENSES – REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS
Establishing that ground leases or amendments that are not posted on the State Department of Assessments and Taxation’s website are not considered registered or amended; prohibiting a ground lease holder from collecting or attempting to collect rent, late fees, interest, collection costs, and other expenses related to a ground lease unless the ground lease is registered with the Department; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, §§ 8-703 and 8-707 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 93 Delegate Holmes
RESIDENTIAL GROUND LEASES – REDEMPTION AND EXTINGUISHMENT – REQUIREMENTS
Repealing the prohibition against a tenant who is seeking to redeem or extinguish ground rent providing certain documentation and payments to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation earlier than 90 days after an application for redemption or extinguishment has been posted on the Department’s website.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, § 8-801(b) through (f) - renumbered, § 8-801(b) - added, and § 8-804(f) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 94  Delegate Lehman, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – REDUCTION OF SPEED LIMITS BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Authorizing local authorities statewide to decrease the maximum speed limit to not less than 15 miles per hour after performing a certain investigation; and establishing certain restrictions on the use of speed monitoring systems along highways for which the speed limit has been decreased.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
TR, § 21-803 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 95  Delegate Hill

ELECTION JUDGES – TRAINING AND SIGNS – ACCOMMODATIONS FOR VOTERS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE

Requiring that training materials used by the program of instruction for election judges include oral and written instruction in the various methods an election judge may use to assist or accommodate elderly and disabled voters in voting; and establishing requirements for the development and placement of signage that states the specific methods election judges may use to assist or accommodate elderly and disabled voters in voting at a specific polling place.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EL, §§ 10-206 and 10-306 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 96  Delegate Crutchfield

JUVENILE COURT – JURISDICTION (YOUTH EQUITY & SAFETY ACT)

Altering the jurisdiction of the juvenile court by repealing provisions specifying that the juvenile court does not have jurisdiction over a child alleged to have committed certain acts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CJ, CP, and ED, Various Sections - amended and CP, §§ 4-202, 4-202.1, 4-202.2, 10-215(a)(20), and 10-216(d) - repealed
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 97  Delegate Bartlett
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF RECORDS – WAITING PERIODS

Altering the waiting periods applicable to the filing of petitions for expungement of convictions of certain crimes.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CP, § 10-110(c) - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 98  Delegate Arentz
CONDOMINIUMS – DECLARATIONS AND MANDATORY INSURANCE COVERAGE – ALTERATIONS

Exempting certain condominium units from a requirement to include certain information in a declaration; and altering the types of elements and units for which a council of unit owners is required to maintain certain property insurance and altering certain requirements for the property insurance policy.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, §§ 11-103(a)(4) and 11-114 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 99  Delegate Sample–Hughes
EDUCATION – PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS – FINANCIAL LITERACY CURRICULUM

Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a half–credit course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content and make the course available to students in every public high school in the county; and repealing a provision of law requiring the State Department of Education to report on certain financial literacy information at a certain interval.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
ED, § 4-111.1 - repealed and § 7-205.5 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 100 Delegate Cardin
INHERITANCE TAX RATE – BENEFICIARIES OF LIMITED MEANS

Altering, under certain circumstances, the inheritance tax due on certain real property that passes from a decedent to or for the use of certain beneficiaries of limited means.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TG, § 7-204 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 101 Delegate Charkoudian
CONDOMINIUMS – COMMON ELEMENTS – CLEAN ENERGY EQUIPMENT

Authorizing certain governing bodies of a condominium to grant an interest affecting the common elements of the condominium for the installation and use of leased clean energy equipment; and generally relating to the common elements of a condominium and leased clean energy equipment.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, § 11-125 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 102 Delegate Stein
REAL PROPERTY – ACTIONS FOR POSSESSION – PET PROTECTIONS

Requiring the Department of Agriculture to publish a fact sheet on the protection of pets in the event of an eviction or any other loss of possession of real property; requiring a landlord to provide information about the fact sheet at the execution of a lease on or after November 1, 2023; requiring a sheriff or any other official to return a pet to a tenant or certain other person or to contact an animal shelter or rescue organization; prohibiting the leaving of a pet on public property; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
RP, §§ 14-801 through 14-806 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 103 Delegates Bagnall and Ruth

STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – TEMPORARY LICENSE TO PRACTICE SOCIAL WORK

Requiring the State Board of Social Work Examiners to issue a temporary license to practice social work to an applicant who, except for passing the required examination, has met the education and experience requirements; authorizing the board to issue a temporary license if a required examination was unavailable to an applicant for a period of at least seven business days; and providing that a temporary license is valid until 180 days after the examination becomes available; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HO, §§ 19-101(e) and 19-310(a) - amended and §§ 19-101(u) and 19-309.1 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 104 Delegate Solomon

MUNICIPALITIES – CHARTER AMENDMENTS – NOTICE

Modifying the manner in which the chief executive officer of a municipality may fulfill certain notice requirements concerning proposed municipal charter amendments; and requiring the municipality to maintain certain records or receipts and make the records or receipts available to the public.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
LG, §§ 4-304(b) and 4-305(f) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 105 Delegate Holmes

REAL PROPERTY – CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – GOVERNING BODIES AND ANNUAL MEETINGS

Requiring that unit owners or lot owners have an opportunity to comment during certain meetings convened by the board of directors, the developer, or the declarant of a condominium or a homeowners association; requiring the developer of a condominium to appoint a unit owner, not otherwise affiliated with the developer, to the board within 30 days after the date on which units representing 25% of the votes have been conveyed by the developer to members of the public for residential purposes; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, §§ 11-109(a) and (c), 11-116, 11B-106.1, 11B-111, 11B-111.6(d), and 11B-112(a) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 106  Delegate Williams
STATE FINANCE – PROHIBITED APPROPRIATIONS – MAGNETIC LEVITATION TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Prohibiting the State and certain units and instrumentalities of the State from using any appropriation for a magnetic levitation transportation system in the State; and providing that the prohibition does not apply to certain expenditures for salaries.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
SF, § 7-240 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 107  Delegate R. Lewis
MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – SMALL EMPLOYERS – SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD AND MARKETING

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to open a special enrollment period for individuals who become employed by a small employer that does not offer employer–sponsored health benefit plans and the individuals’ dependents; altering the amount of funds required to be appropriated to the Maryland Health Benefit Fund in certain fiscal years; and requiring certain funds to be allocated for marketing and outreach to small employers and nonprofit employers and their employees to facilitate enrollment in health insurance coverage.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
IN, §§ 31-107.2 and 31-108(h) - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 108  Delegate Acevero
HUMAN SERVICES – UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME FOR TRANSITION–AGE YOUTH – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Universal Basic Income for Transition–Age Youth Program in the Department of Human Services to provide for the economic security of individuals aging out of the out–of–home placement program; providing that payments made under the Program may not be considered income or resources for purposes of determining eligibility for certain benefits; and requiring the Department to report annually on the Program to the General Assembly.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HU, §§ 5-5C-01 through 5-5C-04 - added
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 109 Delegate Love

TASK FORCE ON RECYCLING POLICY AND RECYCLING AND WASTE SYSTEMS IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Task Force on Recycling Policy and Recycling and Waste Systems in Maryland to review the Maryland Recycling Act, study the recycling and waste systems in Maryland, and make recommendations on updating the Maryland Recycling Act and implementing regional recycling and waste disposal facilities; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly by June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 110 Delegate R. Long

BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX CREDIT

Requiring the governing body of Baltimore County to grant a certain property tax credit to supplement the State homeowners property tax credit; prohibiting the county from granting the credit if the homeowner’s combined net worth is in excess of $200,000, or the combined gross income exceeds $72,000; providing that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation is responsible for certain administrative duties; requiring the county to reimburse the Department for certain costs; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TP, § 9-215(a) - amended and § 9-305(j) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 111  Delegate Charkoudian

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, MARYLAND CHILDREN’S HEALTH PROGRAM, AND SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS – ELIGIBILITY AND ENROLLMENT

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish an Express Lane Eligibility Program by January 1, 2025, to enroll individuals, based on certain eligibility, in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and the Maryland Children’s Health Program; requiring the Department of Human Services to enroll individuals, based on certain eligibility, in the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program; requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs to enroll certain individuals in certain energy assistance programs; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HG, § 15-103(a)(5) - added and HU, §§ 5-501 and 5-5A-07 and PU, § 7-512.1(a)(1) - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 112  Delegate Bagnall, et al

STATE PERSONNEL – WHISTLEBLOWER LAW – PROCEDURES AND REMEDIES (FIRST AMENDMENT AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PROTECTION ACT)

Altering the prohibition on reprisal against certain employees for certain disclosures and actions under the Maryland Whistleblower Law in the Executive Branch of State government; and altering certain procedures and remedies relating to whistleblower complaints.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
SP, §§ 5-304, 5-305, and 5-309 through 5-312 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 113  Delegate Hartman
WORCESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – OCEAN CITY PROMOTER’S LICENSE

Establishing an Ocean City promoter’s license in Worcester County; and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Worcester County to issue the license to a for–profit organization to sell and serve beer, wine, and liquor at an entertainment event that is held on premises located within the corporate limits of Ocean City, owned by Ocean City and designated and approved by the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City; and authorizing a license fee of $5,000.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
AB, § 33-1310 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 114  Delegate Qi
BALLOT ACCESS – AFFILIATING WITH A PARTY – UNAFFILIATED VOTERS

Requiring a local board of elections to change a voter’s registration from a decline to affiliate with a political party when voter registration is closed if the request to affiliate is received by the local board by 5 p.m. on the day before early voting begins; and providing that the change is effective for the next election.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024
EL, § 3-303 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 115  Delegate Acevero
CIVIL RIGHTS – VIOLATION OF RIGHTS – GOVERNMENT LIABILITY

Establishing the civil liability of a police officer who deprives or allows another to deprive an individual of certain rights under the Maryland Declaration of Rights and the Maryland Constitution; requiring that the employer of a police officer indemnify the law enforcement officer against a judgment or settlement entered against the officer under the Act subject to certain exceptions; requiring that a civil action under the Act be filed within 2 years after the cause of action accrues; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CJ, § 5-809 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 116  Delegate R. Lewis
TRUSTEES OF THE WALTERS ART GALLERY – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Applying certain laws regarding labor relations and collective bargaining to the Board of Trustees of the Walters Art Gallery and employees of the Trustees of the Walters Art Gallery; establishing a bargaining unit for certain employees of the Art Gallery; requiring the Labor Commissioner of Baltimore City to certify an employee organization as the exclusive representative of the bargaining unit under certain circumstances; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, §§ 28-1 through 28-3 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 117  Delegate S. Johnson
CERTIFICATION OF POLICE OFFICERS – PHYSICAL AGILITY ASSESSMENT – EXEMPTION

Exempting an individual from the physical agility assessment required for certification as a police officer in the State if the individual was a certain police officer or a certain equivalent on or before January 1, 2012, and has at least 20 cumulative years of service as a police officer or a certain equivalent at the time of application for certification as a police officer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
PS, § 3-209 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 118  Delegate Holmes
GROUND LEASES – NOTICES AND BILLING – FORMS AND REQUIREMENTS

Prohibiting a leasehold tenant of an unregistered ground lease from being required to hold more than 3 years of ground rent in escrow; requiring a ground lease holder to mail certain notices or bills to a leasehold tenant in a certain manner under certain circumstances; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to make certain forms available on its website; and requiring a ground lease transferee to send notice of a transfer to the Department within 30 days.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
RP, Various Sections - renumbered, amended, and added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
**HB 119**  
Delegate Atterbeary  

**PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION FRAMEWORK – ESTABLISHED**

Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maryland Department of Health, to develop a comprehensive health education framework; requiring each county board of education to create an age-appropriate curriculum that is consistent with the comprehensive health education framework; requiring each county board to establish a method by which a parent or guardian may opt out of certain topics, subject to certain requirements; etc.  

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023  
ED, § 7-401 - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 120**  
Delegate Griffith  

**HARFORD COUNTY – DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES – BURDEN OF PROOF**

Requiring the Harford County Board of Education to bear the burden of proof in due process proceedings that initiate from a due process complaint regarding the provision of special education services or a program for a child with disabilities in Harford County except under certain circumstances.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023  
ED, § 8-413 - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 121**  
Delegate Charkoudian  

**MENTAL HEALTH – TREATMENT PLANS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN FACILITIES – REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a treatment plan for an individual with a mental disorder admitted to a certain health care facility to include a certain discharge goal and an estimate of the probable length of the inpatient stay the individual requires before transfer to a certain setting; requiring certain facility staff to review and reassess a plan of treatment within certain time periods; requiring a certain health care facility to take certain actions if the facility is unable to address certain needs under a plan of treatment; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023  
HG, § 10-706 - amended  
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 122  Delegate Bagnall

WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS – RIPARIAN RIGHTS – VOLUNTARY REGISTRY AND NOTICE

Requiring the Department of the Environment to establish and maintain a voluntary registry on the Department’s website for property owners who have registered a claim of riparian rights with the Department; requiring the Governor to appropriate funds to the Department to cover the cost of establishing and maintaining the registry; and requiring the holder of a covenant for riparian rights to be provided notice of a proposed project in the immediate area at the beginning of the State or local permitting process or other approval process.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EN, § 16-201.1 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 123  Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo

VEHICLE LAWS – HOV LANES – PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES

Authorizing certain plug–in electric drive vehicles for which a permit has been issued by the Motor Vehicle Administration to use high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes regardless of the number of passengers in the vehicles; authorizing the Administration to charge a fee, not to exceed $20, for issuing the permit; and requiring, on or before January 1 of each year, a report to be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly on the effect of the use of the plug–in electric drive vehicle permits on the operation of HOV lanes.

EMERGENCY BILL
TR, § 25-108 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation