SYNOPSIS



House Bills and Joint Resolutions 2023 Maryland General Assembly Session

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PLEASE NOTE: February 10 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 9.

As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 30, 2023

HB 406 Delegate Love, et al

HUNTING – SNARES, TRAPS, AND OTHER SIMILAR DEVICES – IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

Requiring a person who is not required to be licensed or permitted under certain provisions of law to obtain a free Department of Natural Resources identification number before using a snare, a trap, or another similar device to capture wildlife; and requiring a person who uses a snare, a trap, or another similar device to capture wildlife to ensure the person's Department identification number is stamped on the device or on a metal tag affixed to the device.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

NR, § 10-408.1 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

Department of Legislative Services

HB 407 Delegate Fair

DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION – SALARY INCENTIVES FOR ASSESSORS – AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing, rather than prohibiting, a county to provide a salary supplement or any other fringe benefit for an assessor.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TP, § 2-110 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 408 Delegate Grammer

ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION – INDUSTRY TO CONSUMER CANNABIS LEGALIZATION AWARENESS PROGRAM AND TAX CREDIT

Requiring the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to establish the Industry to Consumer Cannabis Legalization Awareness Program; and authorizing a certain certified participant to claim a certain credit against the State income tax.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

AB, § 1-322 and TG, § 10-757 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

HB 409 Delegate Acevero

STATE GOVERNMENT – MARYLAND REPARATIONS COMMISSION – ESTABLISHMENT (HARRIET TUBMAN COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ACT)

Establishing the Maryland Reparations Commission to develop and administer a program to provide compensatory benefits to the descendants of individuals enslaved in the State; providing that any individual whose ancestors were enslaved in the State is eligible to receive certain benefits; authorizing the Commission to seek the assistance of State agencies to develop and evaluate processes and applications; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill such sums as necessary to carry out the Act; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SG, §§ 9-3801 through 9-3808 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 410 Delegate Rosenberg

ELECTION REFORM ACT OF 2023

Prohibiting a local board of elections from voting to change the location of a polling place unless the local board first holds a meeting to discuss the proposed change and provides an opportunity for individuals and organizations to testify; prohibiting a person from influencing or attempting to influence through certain means a voter's decision whether to vote by any lawful means; authorizing the official custodian for a board of elections to temporarily deny inspection of a public record under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EL, §§ 2-303(f) and 16-201 - amended and EL, § 2-303(h) and GP, § 4-359 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 411 Delegate Embry, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VIOLATION OF PRETRIAL OR POSTTRIAL CONDITION BY INCARCERATED PERSON – VICTIM CONTACT

Prohibiting a certain incarcerated person from violating a condition of pretrial or posttrial release or other pretrial or posttrial condition prohibiting the person from contacting, harassing, or abusing an alleged victim or going in or near an alleged victim's residence or place of employment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CP, § 5-213.1 - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 412 Delegate Shetty, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL CRIMES – CONSENT AND SECOND– DEGREE RAPE

Requiring certain facts to be considered when determining whether a lack of consent exists for the purposes of certain sexual crimes; and altering the elements of second—degree rape to remove the requirement of use of force or threat of force.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CR, § 3-301.1 - added and § 3-304(a) - amended

HB 413 Delegate Grammer, et al

FIREARMS – RIGHT TO PURCHASE, POSSESS, AND CARRY

Providing that a person may not be denied the right to purchase, possess, or carry a firearm solely on the basis that the person is authorized to use medical cannabis.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

PS, § 5-901 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 414 Washington County Delegation

WASHINGTON COUNTY – ELECTRICIANS – REGISTRATION AND LICENSING

Altering requirements for members of the Washington County Board of Electrical Examiners and Supervisors; altering requirements for the examination and licensing of Restricted Electricians in the county; requiring Master Electricians to be registered by the county instead of licensed by the county; and altering the Washington County Department of Permits and Inspections to be the Washington County Division of Permits and Inspections. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

PLL of Washington Co, Art. 22, Various Sections - amended and § 8-104(b)(1)(i) - repealed and added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 415 Delegate Smith

BALTIMORE CITY – GREEN CAREER GENDER AND MINORITY EMPOWERMENT AND TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to establish, under certain circumstances, the Green Career Gender and Minority Empowerment and Training Pilot Program by January 1, 2024, to encourage young women and minorities to pursue green careers; and requiring funding for the Program to be provided in certain amounts in fiscal years 2025 through 2028 through the Mayor's Office of Minority and Women—Owned Business Development.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

The Charter of Baltimore City, Art. II, § (72) - added

HB 416 Delegate Amprey

RESOURCES AND EDUCATION FOR ALL PRISONS (REAP) ACT

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to assist inmates in accessing federal Pell grants for higher education; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to set goals for the number of inmates in education programs and establish tracking systems relating to the number of inmates and their progress in education programs; and requiring the State Department of Education and the Department of Human Services to assist the Maryland Department of Labor in establishing certain tracking systems.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CS, §§ 2-701 and 2-702 and LE, § 11-903.1 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 417 Delegate Foley, et al

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY IN OFFICE

Requiring that a special election be held at the same time as the regular statewide primary and general elections that are held in the second year of the term to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate or Senator in the General Assembly if the vacancy occurs on or before the date that is 55 days before the deadline for filing certificates of candidacy for the regular statewide election.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, \S 13 and Art. XVII, \S 2 - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 418 Delegate Bagnall

MENTAL HEALTH – WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – FUND ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Behavioral Health Workforce Investment Fund to provide reimbursement for costs associated with educating, training, certifying, recruiting, placing, and retaining behavioral health professionals and paraprofessionals; providing that money expended from the Fund is supplemental and not intended to supplant funding that would otherwise be appropriated; and requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to conduct a comprehensive behavioral health workforce needs assessment on or before December 1, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

HG, §§ 10-1601 through 10-1603 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)172. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)170. and 171. - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 419 Delegate Smith

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – USER NAME AND PASSWORD PRIVACY – LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

Authorizing certain law enforcement agencies to access, under certain circumstances, social media accounts of applicants; and prohibiting certain law enforcement agencies from keeping or reserving an applicant's user name, password, or other means of accessing a personal account or service.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

LE, § 3-712 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 420 Delegate M. Morgan, et al

HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION – HOSPITAL RATES – ALL–PAYER MODEL CONTRACT

Requiring that the Health Services Cost Review Commission exercise its authority to consider certain standards when determining the reasonableness of certain rates in a manner that is consistent with the all–payer model contract.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HG, § 19-219 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 421 Delegate Grammer

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEES

Altering a requirement that the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System provide a quarterly estimate of certain external investment management services; prohibiting the Board of Trustees from incurring fees for external investment management services that exceed a certain amount in a fiscal year; exempting from the prohibition certain fees incurred under a contract entered into on or before June 30, 2023; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

SP, § 21-315(d) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 422 Delegate M. Morgan, et al

MOTOR FUEL TAX RATES -CONSUMER PRICE **INDEX** ADJUSTMENT - REPEAL

Repealing a requirement that certain motor fuel tax rates be adjusted in future years based on growth in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TG, § 9-305 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 423 Delegate Holmes

TASK FORCE ON COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES

Establishing the Task Force on Common Ownership Communities; and requiring the Task Force to submit a report of findings and recommendations on or before December 31, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 424 Delegate Simpson, et al

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM - NONVESTED ACCOUNTS – REGULAR INTEREST

Requiring a certain rate of interest on certain member contributions in active members' nonvested accounts in the State Retirement and Pension System if the members have not withdrawn contributions from the nonvested accounts and are not eligible to receive a certain vested allowance.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

SP, §§ 22-215, 23-213, 24-206, 25-204, 26-205, and 27-203 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 425 Delegate Taylor, et al

REAL PROPERTY – LAND INSTALLMENT CONTRACTS – REQUIREMENTS AND VENDOR DUTIES AND LIMITATIONS

Requiring the vendor to provide a purchaser under a land installment contract with the results of a title search for the property at or before the time the purchaser signs the contract; requiring the inclusion of certain notice, terms, and recitals in a land installment contract formed in the State; altering, from 40% to 20%, the percentage of the original cash price of a land installment contract that the purchaser must pay before the purchaser may demand a grant of the deed to the property to the purchaser; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

RP, §§ 10-102, 10-103, 10-105, and 10-107 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 426 Delegate Lopez, et al

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – TRANSGENDER, NONBINARY, AND INTERSEX INMATES (TRANSGENDER RESPECT, AGENCY, AND DIGNITY ACT)

Requiring the Commissioner of Correction to report certain information regarding the gender identities of inmates and the housing status of transgender, nonbinary, or intersex inmates; prohibiting an employee of a correctional facility from discriminating against inmates on the basis of certain protected classes; requiring the managing official of a correctional facility to develop a written nondiscrimination policy regarding inmates; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CS, §§ 1-101(h-1) and 9-618 through 9-620 - added and § 3-207 - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 427 Delegate Cardin, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - MEDICAL EMERGENCY - IMMUNITY

Altering certain provisions relating to immunity from criminal arrest, charge, or prosecution for a person experiencing a medical emergency after ingesting or using alcohol or drugs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CP, § 1-210 - amended

HB 428 Delegate Smith

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – BOARD OF REGENTS – STUDENT MEMBER GRANT

Authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to authorize a certain grant for the student member serving in the first year of the student's term on the Board of Regents.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 12-102(h) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 429 Delegate Charles

PROCUREMENT IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL - MEMBERSHIP

Altering the membership of the Procurement Improvement Council to add the Comptroller; and authorizing the Comptroller to send a designee to attend meetings of the Council if the Comptroller is unable to attend.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SF, § 12-105 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 430 Delegate Wilkins

POLICE IMMUNITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Specifying that a police officer who subjects or causes to be subjected any individual to the deprivation of certain rights under the Maryland Constitution or the U.S. Constitution is liable for certain damages; establishing that a police officer is not immune from civil or criminal liability for violations of another individual's constitutional rights; requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to review certain cases brought under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CJ, §§ 5-1301 and 5-1302 - added

HB 431 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS ON MARYLAND ROUTE 210 (INDIAN HEAD HIGHWAY) – PENALTIES PG 303–23

Establishing civil penalties for violations recorded by speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway) in Prince George's County that are second or subsequent violations or that involve exceeding the maximum speed limit by certain amounts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TR, § 21-809(c) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 432 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM – SEARCH COMMITTEE REQUIREMENTS PG 503–23

Altering the composition of, the qualifications for, and the method for selecting the search committee for the Chief Executive Officer of the Prince George's County public school system.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

ED, § 4-201.1 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 433 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF – DUTIES AND DEPUTY SHERIFFS PG 308–23

Increasing from four to five the number of full—time assistant sheriffs provided to the Sheriff of Prince George's County; providing that the Fraternal Order of Police will negotiate on behalf of deputy sheriffs in benefit matters not related to salary; and clarifying that the Office of the Sheriff of Prince George's County may investigate domestic violence calls and are not required to transfer those investigations to another law enforcement agency.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CJ, § 2-330 - amended

HB 434 Delegate Charles

MARYLAND CONDOMINIUM ACT – AMENDMENTS TO THE DECLARATION

Reducing from 80% to 60% the percentage of unit owners listed on the current roster of a condominium needed to consent to an amendment of a condominium's declaration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

RP, § 11-103(c) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 435 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – MARYLAND ROUTE 210 (INDIAN HEAD HIGHWAY) PG 304–23

Increasing the maximum number of speed monitoring systems that may be placed and used on Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway) in Prince George's County from three to 10; and repealing a provision of law terminating the authority to place speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 210 in Prince George's County.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(vii)1. and Chapter 806 of the Acts of 2018, § 3 - amended and Chapter 586 of the Acts of 2019, § 2 - repealed

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 436 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LICENSE PG 305–23

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County to issue Class B–DD licenses for restaurants located within a certain area on Central Avenue.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

AB, § 26-1614(a)(13) and (14) - amended and § 26-1614(a)(15) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 437 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS – OFFICE OF INTEGRITY AND COMPLIANCE – ESTABLISHMENT PG 501–23

Establishing the Office of Integrity and Compliance in the Prince George's County public school system; transferring the functions, powers, and duties of the Office of Internal Audit of the Prince George's County public school system to the Office of Integrity and Compliance on July 1, 2023; requiring the County Council of Prince George's County to select and appoint an Integrity and Compliance Officer; requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to include in its annual budget proposal funding for the Office; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 4-404 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 438 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B–STADIUM (BASEBALL STADIUM) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE PG 306–23

Altering the alcoholic beverages that may be sold under a certain stadium license in Prince George's County; authorizing the holder of a Class B–Stadium (baseball stadium) beer, wine, and liquor license to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption; altering a provision of law providing that the profit from the sale of certain alcoholic beverages under the license may accrue to the use of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission or the concessionaire; etc.

EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2023

AB, §§ 26-1014, 26-1015(a), 26-1405(c), 26-1406(c), and 26-1601(a)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 439 Frederick County Delegation

FREDERICK COUNTY – ADULT DETENTION CENTER – POLYGRAPH EXAMINATIONS OF EMPLOYEES

Exempting individuals who apply for employment or are employed in any capacity that involves direct personal contact with an inmate in the Frederick County Adult Detention Center from the prohibition on employers requiring an employee or a prospective employee to take a polygraph examination or similar test as a condition of prospective or continued employment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

LE, § 3-702 - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 440 Delegate Charles

CHILD CUSTODY – RELOCATION OF CHILD – EXPEDITED HEARING (ASSURANCE OF CHILD'S SAFETY ACT)

Requiring a court to schedule a hearing on a certain petition regarding the proposed relocation of a child who is the subject of a custody or visitation order on an expedited basis under certain circumstances; and prohibiting a court from considering a child's time spent with a party who relocated in violation of certain notice provisions to be advantageous to that party in a subsequent custody hearing.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

FL, § 9-106 - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 441 Delegate D. Jones, et al

ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN FINANCE – DRAFT COMMITTEES AND EXPLORATORY COMMITTEES

Applying certain campaign finance requirements for a political committee to draft committees and exploratory committees; and establishing requirements and prohibitions for draft committees and exploratory committees relating to the establishment of the committees, receipt of funds, and permissible disbursements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EL, § 13-107 - added

HB 442 Delegate Tomlinson

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – QUALIFIED BROADBAND GRANTS

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for federal, State, or local grants for broadband infrastructure awarded during the taxable year for broadband deployment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TG, §§ 10-207(00) and 10-307(g)(7) - added and § 10-307(g)(5) and (6) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 443 Delegate Valderrama

PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION FOR DWELLINGS OF SURVIVING SPOUSES OF DISABLED VETERANS – APPLICATION

Altering the application requirements for a certain property tax exemption for a dwelling house owned by the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TP, § 7-208 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 444 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES AGREEMENTS – LOW–INCOME HOUSING PG 403–23

Authorizing the governing body of Prince George's County to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes agreement with an owner of real property that is used for low–income housing that is financed through the county's Right of First Refusal program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TP, § 7-506.3 - amended

HB 445 Delegate Amprey

SALES AND USE TAX – TAX–FREE PERIOD – WINTER WEATHER SHOPPING FOR STUDENTS

Establishing a tax–free period of 7 days beginning the first Sunday in January each year during which the purchase of winter weather clothing, footwear, and accessories is exempt from the sales and use tax, subject to certain limitations. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TG, § 11-228.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 446 Delegate Amprey

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY – RULE OF INTERPRETATION AND REPLACEMENT OF COLUMBUS DAY

Replacing references to Columbus Day in certain provisions of law with references to Indigenous Peoples' Day; and establishing that Indigenous Peoples' Day is to be observed on October 12 or, if the United States Congress designates another day for the observance of Columbus Day, the day designated by the United States Congress.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CL, § 14-301(b), ED, § 7-103(c)(3), FI, § 5-705, GP, § 1-111, and SP, § 9-201 - amended and GP, § 1-111.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 447 Delegate Crosby

LOCAL ELECTIONS - COUNTY COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT VOTING

Requiring an election of a county commissioner to represent a specific district to be decided by a plurality of the votes cast within that district.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

PLL of Calvert Co, Garrett Co, and St. Mary's Co, Various Sections - amended and LG, § 9-114 - added

HB 448 Delegate Korman, et al

NONPUBLIC EDUCATION – SPECIAL EDUCATION PLACEMENTS – RENAMING AND TEACHER SALARIES (TEACHER PAY PARITY ACT)

Renaming the nonpublic educational program to be the special education placement program; and requiring the State and certain counties to pay for costs of salaries and bonuses for teachers at special education placements in a certain amount and proportion.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, §§ 8-406, 8-410(d) and (e), and 8-415(d) - amended and § 8-415(e) - added Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 449 Delegate T. Morgan, et al

CALVERT COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING – REPEAL OF TIME RESTRICTIONS

Repealing a restriction on the hours during which a person may hunt on each Sunday of the game bird and game mammal seasons in Calvert County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

NR, § 10-410(a)(1)(i) and (iii) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 450 Delegates J. Lewis and Harrison

PROPERTY TAX – MUNICIPAL CORPORATION BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RATE – ALTERATIONS

Altering the municipal corporation tax rate applicable to business personal property and certain operating real property to be not more than a certain amount; and applying the limitation on the municipal corporation tax rate to special rates prevailing in a taxing district or part of a municipal corporation.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TP, § 6-303 - amended

HB 451 Delegate Atterbeary

DRUNK DRIVING OFFENSES – IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to require certain persons who are convicted of, or granted probation before judgment for, certain criminal offenses related to driving while impaired by alcohol, a drug or drug combination, or a combination of drugs and alcohol to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TR, $\S 16-404.1(c)(1)$ and (d)(1)(i)1., (2)(i), and (4) - amended and $\S 16-404.1(d)(1)(i)2.$ - repealed and added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 452 Delegate Kaufman, et al

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

Requiring the Department of Human Services to provide food supplement benefits to students enrolled in an institution of higher education who are residents of the State, enrolled for at least 15 credit hours per year, and who meet a certain eligible income threshold; and requiring, for fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation sufficient to reimburse the Department for expenditures made under the provisions of the Act.

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

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

HU, § 5-502 - amended and § 5-503.1 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 453 Delegate Szeliga, et al

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – INACTIVE AND EMERITUS STATUS

Authorizing the Board to place a licensee on emeritus status under certain circumstances; requiring the Board, under certain circumstances, to reinstate the license of an individual who is on inactive or emeritus status; exempting licensees who are on inactive status or emeritus status from continuing medical education requirements; repealing the requirement that the Board issue a license to an individual who is on inactive status under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HO, §§ 14-316(a), 14-317, 14-320, 14-601, and 14-602 - amended and § 14-320.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 454 Delegate Lopez

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSES, CERTIFICATES, AND REGISTRATIONS – IMMIGRANTS

Prohibiting a health occupations board from denying a license, certification, or registration to an immigrant if the individual meets all educational, training, or professional requirements for licensure, certification, or registration; and requiring each health occupations board to require each applicant for a license to disclose the Social Security number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number of the applicant and record the number on the application.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

FL, § 10-119.3(b), (c)(2), and (d)(1) - amended and HO, § 1-227 - added Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 455 Delegate Atterbeary, et al

VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL PROCEEDS – PURSE DEDICATION ACCOUNT – OCEAN DOWNS RACE COURSE OPERATING LOSS ASSISTANCE

Altering the authority of the Ocean Downs Race Course to use certain Purse Dedication Account funds generated from video lottery terminal proceeds for operating loss assistance to support a certain minimum number of live racing days at the racecourse.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

SG, § 9-1A-28(g) - amended

HB 456 Delegate Guyton, et al

PHARMACIES – PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – ACCESSIBLE LABELS FOR BLIND, VISUALLY IMPAIRED, AND PRINT DISABLED INDIVIDUALS

Requiring pharmacies to provide notice to customers of the availability of accessible labels for blind, visually impaired, or otherwise print disabled individuals for prescription drugs and to provide the selected label on request; requiring that accessible labels preserve the integrity of the print prescription drug container label, contain all the required label information, be durable and last to the prescription's expiration and be provided within a certain time frame; establishing certain standards for prescription readers; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HO, § 12-505.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 457 Delegate Embry, et al

RECORDATION TAX – PURCHASE MONEY MORTGAGE OR PURCHASE MONEY DEED OF TRUST – EXTENT OF EXEMPTION

Providing that the exemption from the recordation tax for a purchase money mortgage or purchase money deed of trust applies only to the extent that the purchase money mortgage or purchase money deed of trust secures purchase money.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TP, § 12-108(i) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 458 Delegate J. Lewis, et al

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – GRANT PROGRAMS, APPROVALS, AND ADMINISTRATION – ALTERATIONS

Repealing the School Safety Grant Program and the Aging Schools Program as of June 30, 2026; altering provisions relating to school construction approvals by the State Superintendent of Schools; establishing the Interagency Commission on School Construction as an independent unit of State government; providing a removal process for members of the Interagency Commission; repealing the requirement for the Board of Public Works to approve grants awarded under a certain capital grant program; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

ED, §§ 5-317 and 5-324 - repealed & §§ 2-303(f), 4-115(b), (c)(1)(i), (2), and (3), 5-302(b) and (f), 5-313(c), and 5-327(d) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 459 Delegate Kaufman, et al

COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL STREET LIGHTING INVESTMENT ACT

Finding that local governments pay electric companies large sums to light streets and are limited in how this public safety resource can be managed, the Act authorizes certain counties or municipalities to acquire certain street lighting equipment by purchase or condemnation, convert its street lighting service to a customer—owned street lighting tariff, enter into an agreement to purchase electricity, and contract with an electric company for the maintenance of the street lighting equipment; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

LG, § 1-1309 - amended and PU, § 4-212 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 460 Delegate Taylor, et al

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – RACIAL EQUITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development, by December 31, 2024 and each year thereafter, to complete a racial equity impact assessment evaluating the impact of financial assistance administered by the Department and whether the assistance is equitably invested in the communities with the greatest need and those with the largest population of economically marginalized peoples; and requiring the Department to work with independent experts on the assessment and to make the assessment available to the public. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HS, § 2-303 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 461 Delegate S. Johnson, et al

EDUCATION – SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION PROGRAM – HUMAN AND SEX TRAFFICKING

Requiring the State Board of Education and nonpublic schools that hold a certificate of approval from the State Board and participate in the Nonpublic Schools Textbook and Technology Grants Program to develop and implement a program of age—appropriate education on the awareness and prevention of sexual abuse and assault that includes, for students in grades 6 through 8, material promoting the awareness and prevention of human and sex trafficking. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED 67 420

ED, § 7-439 - amended

HB 462 Delegates Healey and Holmes

COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS – DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Altering procedures for the dispute settlement mechanism under the Maryland Cooperative Housing Corporation Act; specifying that the dispute settlement mechanism does not apply to complaints or demands arising out of a cooperative housing member's failure to pay certain assessments; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CA, § 5-6B-30 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 463 Delegate A. Johnson, et al

STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Architects in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

BOP, § 3-702 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 464 Delegate J. Lewis, et al

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY REENTRY EMPLOYMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM – FUNDING

Requiring the Governor, for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2028, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Prince George's County Office of the County Executive to be used for the Prince George's County Reentry Employment Incentive Program; and requiring that funds made available by the Act are supplemental to, and may not supplant, funds otherwise available for the reentry employment incentives in Prince George's County.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

LG, § 16-505 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 465 Delegates Otto and Jacobs

NATURAL RESOURCES – RECREATIONAL CRABBING LICENSE – EXEMPTION

Exempting persons under the age of 16 years from the requirement to obtain a recreational crabbing license to catch or attempt to catch crabs for recreational purposes in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

NR, § 4-805 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 466 Delegate Otto

WORCESTER COUNTY - NATURAL RESOURCES - HUNTING

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Worcester County to hunt game birds and game mammals on a Sunday during the open season for that game bird or game mammal; authorizing the Department to allow a person in Worcester County to hunt on public land designated for hunting on Sundays; and altering the safety zone from 150 yards to 50 yards from a dwelling house, residence, church or other buildings occupied by human beings within which archery hunting may not take place.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

NR, § 10-410(a) and (g) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 467 Delegate Otto

WORCESTER COUNTY - TURKEY HUNTING - SUNDAYS

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt turkey on each Sunday of the spring turkey hunting season on private property and public land designated by the Department for hunting in Worcester County. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

NR, § 10-410(a)(6) and (15) - amended

HB 468 Delegate Fair, et al

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – VOTER REGISTRATION LINK – POSTING REQUIREMENT

Requiring each county board of education to post on its website a link to the voter registration webpage maintained on the website of the State Board of Elections or the local board of elections of that county.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 4-142 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 469 Delegate Guyton, et al

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES – SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES – ELIGIBILITY

Extending the eligibility for a child with a disability to receive special education and related services through the child's 16th year of school.

EMERGENCY BILL

ED, §§ 8-403 and 8-404 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 470 Delegate Hill, et al

ENVIRONMENT – FIRE–FIGHTING TRAINING – ORIENTED STRAND BOARD – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting the setting on fire or burning of oriented strand board for certain fire–fighting training; and establishing civil penalties up to \$500 for a first violation of the Act, and up to \$1,000 for a second or subsequent violation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EN, § 6-1701 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 471 Delegate Attar

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – REGIONAL INSTITUTION STRATEGIC ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS AND FINANCING

Altering the period of time that an area may be designated as a Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise (RISE) zone; repealing the prohibition on the Secretary of Commerce from approving more than a certain number of RISE zones in a certain area; extending the termination date of the RISE Program; and authorizing a political subdivision to pledge certain revenues to secure the payment of obligations to the Maryland Economic Development Corporation for infrastructure improvements located in a RISE zone.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EC, §§ 5-1404(f), 5-1410, and 12-201(k) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 472 Delegate Kaiser, et al

TRANSIT - COMMUTER BUS SERVICE - PROCUREMENT

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration, in selecting a commuter bus service provider, to use the competitive sealed proposal method of procurement and to conduct the procurement in accordance with the provisions of and the regulations adopted under Division II of the State Finance and Procurement Article and regulations adopted under Division II of that article; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TR, § 7-504.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 473 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo, et al

ENVIRONMENT – AMBIENT AIR MONITORING – PARTICULATE AND FINE PARTICULATE MATTER

Requiring the Department of the Environment to deploy ambient air monitors sufficient to monitor levels of particulate matter and fine particulate matter in certain census tracts on or before January 1, 2026; requiring the Department to provide public access to certain current ambient air monitoring data and related information through the Internet; requiring the Department to take into consideration certain ambient air monitoring data before approving certain air emissions permits; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

EN, § 2-103.2 - amended and §§ 2-103.3 and 2-407 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation

HB 474 Delegate Amprey, et al

SALE OF RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY – OFFERS TO PURCHASE AND TRANSFER TAX

Authorizing a person who offers for sale to a third party improved, single–family residential real property, for the first 30 days, to accept only an offer to purchase the property made by an individual, a community development organization, a nonprofit organization or a certain real estate enterprise; and altering the rate of the State transfer tax payable for an instrument of writing for a sale of certain residential real property under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

RP, § 10-803 and TP, § 13-203(c) - added and TP, § 13-203(a) - amended Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Ways and Means

HB 475 Delegate Rosenberg

ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE COMPACT

Entering into the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Compact; establishing criteria for participating states; authorizing an advanced practice registered nurse to practice in a party state under certain scope of practice rules; establishing the Interstate Commission of APRN Compact Administrators and its duties and powers; providing for the amendment of and withdrawal from the Compact; providing that the Compact is contingent on the enacting of substantially similar legislation in six other states; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HO, § 8-7B-01 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 476 Delegate Guyton, et al

CONSUMER PROTECTION – DEBT COLLECTORS – DEBTORS WITH MULTIPLE DEBTS

Prohibiting debt collectors from applying a debt payment made by a debtor with multiple debts to a disputed debt; and requiring debt collectors to apply a debt payment made by a debtor with multiple debts in accordance with the debtor's directions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CL, § 14-202 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 477 Delegates Kelly and Smith

PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS - REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES PLANS – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring, on or before August 1, 2024, each public senior higher education institution, in consultation with students, to develop and implement a reproductive health services plan to provide at the institution or to refer students to a comprehensive range of reproductive health services; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on request, to provide assistance to a public senior higher education institution in developing the plan.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 15-136 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Health and Government Operations

HB 478 Delegate D. Jones, et al

WATERWAY INCIDENT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (WINS) WORKGROUP

Establishing the Waterway Incident Notification System (WINS) Workgroup to study issues and factors regarding the feasibility of establishing a Waterway Incident Notification System to notify members of the public of certain waterway emergencies; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

HB 479 Prince George's County Delegation

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – INDEPENDENT INNOVATION AGENCY OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ESTABLISHMENT PG 401–23

Establishing the Independent Innovation Agency of Prince George's County to promote innovation and technology in the County; authorizing the Agency to enter into certain contracts, accept grants, contributions, or other assistance from federal, State, or local governments or from a college or university; establishing the Innovation Places Program in the Agency to foster entrepreneurship in the County; establishing the Industry Sector Workgroup in the Agency to convene interested stakeholders in the county; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EC, §§ 12-901 through 12-913 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)167. and 168. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)169. - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 480 Delegate Rogers, et al

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS – BURIAL IN STATE VETERANS' CEMETERIES – SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS

Prohibiting the Department of Veterans Affairs from charging the cost for opening and closing the burial plot when burying a spouse or dependent of a veteran at a State veterans' cemetery.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SG, § 9-906 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 481 Delegate Conaway, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – WEARING, CARRYING, OR TRANSPORTING A HANDGUN – PENALTY

Increasing, from 3 years to 5 years, the maximum term of imprisonment that may be imposed for wearing, carrying, or transporting a handgun.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CR, $\S 4-203(c)(2)$ - amended

HB 482 Delegate Shetty

HEALTH – DONOR–CONCEIVED INDIVIDUALS AND GAMETE AGENCIES, GAMETE BANKS, AND FERTILITY CLINICS

Establishing data collection, maintenance, and disclosure requirements for gamete agencies, gamete banks, and fertility clinics; requiring a gamete donor to consent to the disclosure of the gamete donor's identity to an individual who is at least 18 years old and who was conceived with the donated gametes; establishing limitations on the number of families that can be established using a single donor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HG, §§ 20-2301 through 20-2309 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Judiciary

HB 483 Delegate Simmons, et al

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

Establishing that certain previous convictions for drunk or 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, 2023

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: Judiciary

HB 484 Delegate Conaway

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – RESTITUTION – OUT–OF–POCKET LOSS

Specifying out—of—pocket losses for attorney's fees, court costs, replacement costs, fines, late fees, interest, or other penalties that the victim of a crime or delinquent act suffered as the result of a crime or delinquent act that may be considered when determining whether a court may enter a judgment of restitution.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CP, § 11-603 - amended

HB 485 Delegate Bagnall

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HEADS OF BUSINESS UNITS – APPOINTMENT AND SENATE CONFIRMATION

Requiring that the Executive Directors of the Maryland Transportation Authority, Aviation Administration, and Port Administration, the Maryland Transit Administrator, the State Highway Administrator, and the Motor Vehicle Administrator be appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate; and requiring that the Executive Directors of the Maryland Transportation Authority, Aviation Administration, and Port Administration be appointed by the Secretary of Transportation with the approval of the Governor.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TR, §§ 4-203(a), 5-202.1(a), 6-203(a), 7-202(a), 8-202(a), and 12-102(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 486 Delegates Attar and Stein

INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR STUDENT BUS TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES

Providing a refundable credit against the State income tax for certain student bus transportation expenses paid by an individual resident who is the parent or guardian of the student during the taxable year; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TG, § 10-757 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 487 Delegate Buckel, et al

ENVIRONMENT – LOW EMISSIONS VEHICLE PROGRAM – PROHIBITION (AFFORDABLE EMISSIONS STANDARDS ACT OF 2023)

Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from adopting certain regulations to implement certain new motor vehicle emissions standards and compliance requirements adopted by the California Air Resources Board unless certain analyses are prepared and submitted to the General Assembly and the General Assembly enacts a law authorizing the adoption of the regulations.

EMERGENCY BILL

EN, § 2-1102 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

HB 488 Delegate Vogel, et al

JANET L. HOFFMAN LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Expanding the purpose of the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include assisting in the repayment of loans for mental health professionals serving as school psychologists, resource psychologists, psychologist coordinators, social workers, social worker supervisors, or mental health coordinators in the public schools; and requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance to publicize the Program to eligible mental health professionals to help recruit and retain mental health professionals in the public schools.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, §§ 18-1501, 18-1502, and 18-1506 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 489 Delegate R. Lewis

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – REIMBURSEMENT – PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse a residential service agency for personal assistance services only if the personal assistance services are provided by an individual classified as an employee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HG, § 19-4A-10 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 490 Delegate R. Lewis

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – EMPLOYEE REGISTRY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish and maintain a registry of each employee of a residential service agency who provides home health care; requiring each residential service agency to submit certain information to the Department; and requiring the Department to disclose certain information to a labor union or similar employee organization on request.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HG, § 19-4A-12 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 491 Delegate Bridges, et al

TRANSPORTATION – COMMISSION TO STUDY ESTABLISHING A BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Establishing a Commission to Study Establishing a Baltimore Regional Transit Authority; requiring the Commission to conduct a comprehensive study of establishing a Baltimore Regional Transit Authority; and requiring the Commission to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by October 31, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

Assigned to: Appropriations and Environment and Transportation

HB 492 Delegate Chisholm, et al

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SCHOOL VEHICLES – DURATION OF OPERATION

Altering the number of years that a school vehicle may be operated in Anne Arundel County from 12 years to 15 years.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 7-804 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 493 Delegate Ruth, et al

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – OFFICE OF CLIMATE CHANGE ASSISTANCE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Office of Climate Change Assistance for Small Businesses in the Department of Commerce; authorizing the Office to assist small businesses with issues related to a transition to advanced clean energy and to development of certain climate resilience strategies; and requiring the Office to identify industries impacted by a transition to advanced clean energy, identify certain areas of concern to small businesses, and report its findings to the Governor, the Secretary, and the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EC. §§ 3-701 through 3-703 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Economic Matters

HB 494 Delegate Chisholm, et al

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – PRIVATE–SECTOR EMPLOYERS – RIGHT TO WORK

Prohibiting a private—sector employer from requiring, as a condition of employment or continued employment, an employee or a prospective employee, under certain circumstances, to join or remain a member of a labor organization, pay charges to a labor organization, or pay a certain amount to a third party; establishing certain penalties for a violation of the Act; and requiring the Attorney General to take steps necessary to ensure effective enforcement of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

LE, § 4-304 - amended and §§ 4-701 through 4-707 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 495 Delegate Solomon, et al

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT – CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – FUNDING

Altering the calculation for the funding of the Child Care Scholarship Program beginning in fiscal year 2025; limiting the circumstances under which the Program may be frozen; requiring certain reimbursement rates and income eligibility requirements for the Program; and prohibiting the copayment levels for the Program from exceeding certain copayment levels.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, §§ 9.5-111 and 9.5-113 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 496 Delegate Chisholm

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – RESTRICTION ON USE – CONSTRUCTION OF PRIVATE PIERS

Prohibiting a certain restriction on use of real property in Anne Arundel County from prohibiting a riparian landowner to construct a private pier on the riparian landowner's land if the riparian landowner obtains all public approvals required for the construction of the pier.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

RP, § 2-126 - added

HB 497 Delegate Jacobs, et al

RURAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE PILOT REPEAL AND MID SHORE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT COALITION FUNDING

Repealing the provisions of law establishing and governing the Rural Health Collaborative Pilot; and requiring the Governor to provide an appropriation in the State budget for fiscal year 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter to fund the operations of the Mid Shore Health Improvement Coalition.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

HG, §§ 2-901 through 2-908 - repealed and § 24-2201 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 498 Delegate Korman

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS PUBLIC COMMENT ACT

Requiring the Board of Public Works, for meetings held on or after October 1, 2024, to allow members of the public to submit certain public comments electronically except under certain circumstances; requiring public comments to be included in certain meeting materials and posted and retained online; and requiring an additional staff person at the Board to carry out requirements of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SF, § 10-207 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 499 Delegate Love

ENVIRONMENT – PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS – PFAS MONITORING

Requiring the owner or operator of a publicly owned treatment works to monitor and report the levels of certain per— and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in effluent, influent, and biosolids.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EN, § 9-331.2 - added

HB 500 Delegate Henson

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS – MANDATED APPROPRIATION (MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT OF 2023)

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill, for fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, an appropriation of \$1,500,000 to the Community Development Administration to fund home improvement projects in residential buildings.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HS, § 4-219 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 501 Delegate Queen

REVITALIZING NEIGHBORHOODS THROUGH HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Revitalizing Neighborhoods Through Homeownership Program to provide financial assistance in the form of loans to political subdivisions to support the purchase and renovation HUD dollar homes and abandoned residential properties for resale to low—to moderate—income buyers; establishing the Revitalizing Neighborhoods Through Homeownership Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide financial assistance in the form of loans under the provisions of the Revitalizing Neighborhoods Through Homeownership Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HS, §§ 4-510 and 4-2901 through 4-2904 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)172. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)170. and 171. - amended

HB 502 Delegates R. Lewis and Watson

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER CARDS – FRAUD (PREVENT ELECTRONIC BENEFITS THEFT ACT OF 2023)

Requiring the Department of Human Services to reimburse a beneficiary for any benefits lost due to the fraudulent use of the beneficiary's Electronic Benefits Transfer card; requiring the State to give preference to certain vendors in the procurement process for electronic benefits distribution or administration; requiring the Department to establish a certain point of contact for investigating and identifying electronic benefits fraud; applying certain provisions of the Act retroactively; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HU, §§ 5-609 and 5-610 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 503 Delegate Stein, et al

NATURAL RESOURCES – GREENSPACE EQUITY PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Greenspace Equity Program in the Department of Natural Resources to provide grants to eligible applicants for enhancing the public health and livability of overburdened communities and underserved communities; requiring the Department to submit each grant award to the Board of Public Works for approval; requiring the Board of Public Works to approve or deny a proposed grant award submitted by the Department; and establishing the Greenspace Equity Advisory Board in the Department.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

NR, § 5-903(a)(2)(vi) - repealed and §§ 5-903(a)(2)(vi) and 5-9D-01 through 5-9D-04 - added

HB 504 Delegate Kaiser, et al

MARYLAND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council as an independent unit of State government with the authority to conduct and support advocacy, systems change, and capacity—building efforts to promote inclusive communities and equity in services for individuals with disabilities in the State, research best practices and provide related training and technical assistance to communities in the State, and inform State and local leaders about disability issues.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

HG, §§ 7-12A-01 through 7-12A-04 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 505 Delegate Rogers, et al

ELEVATOR SAFETY – PRIVATELY OWNED SINGLE–FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ELEVATORS – INSPECTION AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Establishing that an elevator installed in a privately owned single–family residential dwelling on or after October 1, 2023, is subject to certain inspection and registration requirements.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

PS, §§ 12-804 and 12-808 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 506 Delegates Grammer and Moon

CRIMINAL LAW – MANUFACTURING OF CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES – CANNABIS PRODUCTS AND CONCENTRATED CANNABIS

Authorizing a person at least 21 years old to manufacture a personal use amount of cannabis products or concentrated cannabis for personal use or adult sharing at a private residence if the manufacturing process does not involve the use of a volatile solvent.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CR, § 5-603 - amended

HB 507 Delegate R. Lewis

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – GRADUATE REGISTERED PHYSICIANS – LICENSURE

Establishing a licensing and regulatory system for graduate registered physicians under the State Board of Physicians; and providing that an individual who, without authorization, practices, attempts to practice, or offers to practice as a graduate registered physician is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to certain penalties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HO, § 14-101(a-1) - amended and §§ 14-5H-01 through 14-5H-29 - added Assigned to: Health and Government Operations