



# SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2023 Maryland General Assembly Session

**February 1, 2023**  
**Schedule 12**

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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.

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## **HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 1, 2023**

**HB 508** Delegate D. Jones, et al

**PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – DISABLED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND RESCUE WORKERS – DEFINITION AND ELIGIBILITY**

Requiring a county or municipal corporation to define, by law, who is a law enforcement officer or rescue worker; altering eligibility for the tax credit to include certain disabled law enforcement officers or rescue workers who were domiciled in the State as, or any time within the 5 years before the officer or worker died or was determined to be disabled; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TP, § 9-210 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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**HB 509** Delegate Tomlinson, et alSTATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS – MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS –  
PUBLICATION OF RESULTS ON WEBSITE

Requiring the State Board of Elections to maintain an electronic portal on its website through which municipalities submit election results; and requiring the State Board to publish municipal election results on its website immediately after a municipality submits its election results.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

LG, § 4-108.5 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 510** Delegate D. Jones, et alPUBLIC SCHOOLS – LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR AND INNOVATIVE  
SCHOOL SCHEDULING MODELS – REVISIONS

Altering the length of school year requirement for pupil attendance during the school year; and authorizing county boards of education to explore the use of innovative school scheduling models for public schools in the county, including extended year, year-round schooling, 4-day school week, or other models that do not allow for prolonged lapses in instructional time in public schools.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, §§ 7-103 and 7-103.1 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 511** Delegate QueenRENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – SOLAR ENERGY –  
COMPLIANCE FEES

Altering the compliance fee for a shortfall from the required percentage of energy from Tier 1 renewable sources to be derived from solar energy for the renewable energy portfolio standard beginning in 2025 and later.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

PU, § 7-705(b) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 512 Delegate Rosenberg, et al****BALTIMORE CITY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS ON INTERSTATE 83 – USE OF REVENUE**

Establishing that 10% of certain revenue from fines collected as a result of violations enforced by speed monitoring systems on Interstate 83 in Baltimore City may be used for roadway improvements to entrance and exit ramps along Interstate 83 in Baltimore City and at the nearest intersection with a traffic signal to each ramp and to enhance pedestrian safety at these intersections.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CJ, § 7-302(e)(4)(iv) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 513 Delegate Queen****INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITIES – PREVAILING WAGE – ENFORCEMENT**

Authorizing the Public Service Commission to enforce certain prevailing wage requirements for contractors and subcontractors working on certain projects involving and traffic control activities related to underground gas or electric infrastructure of an investor-owned gas company, electric company, or gas and electric company.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

PU, § 5-305 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 514 Delegate Solomon, et al****EDUCATION – MARYLAND MEALS FOR ACHIEVEMENT IN-CLASSROOM BREAKFAST PROGRAM – ANNUAL APPROPRIATION**

Increasing the appropriation required by the Governor for the Maryland Meals for Achievement In-Classroom Breakfast Program from \$7,550,000 to \$12,050,000 in the annual budget bill.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 7-704(j) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 515 Delegate Solomon, et al****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – ACTIVE SHOOTER SAFETY DRILLS – REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the State Department of Education to adopt regulations to incorporate active shooter safety drills in the annual schedule of drills for local school systems; requiring local school systems to take certain actions regarding active shooter safety drills, including collecting and reporting certain data to the Maryland Center for School Safety, and providing certain notice to parents, students, and school personnel; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, §§ 7-1502(g), 7-1507(a) and (b), and 7-1509 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 516 Delegate Love****AGRICULTURE – USE OF ANTIMICROBIAL DRUGS – REPORTING DEADLINES**

Altering the date from February 1, 2020 and each February 1 thereafter, to July 1 each year, on which the Department of Agriculture must submit to the General Assembly a certain annual report regarding the use of medically important antimicrobial drugs in cattle, swine, and poultry to the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

AG, § 3-1004 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 517 Delegate Solomon****DRUG MANUFACTURERS – DRUG TAKE-BACK PROGRAMS (TAKE IT BACK MARYLAND ACT)**

Requiring manufacturers of certain drugs to operate a certain drug take-back program or enter into a certain agreement with a drug take-back organization or the Maryland Department of Health, in conjunction with the Department of the Environment; requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in conjunction with the Department of the Environment, to determine whether a drug take-back program complies with certain requirements and to provide notification of its determination within a certain time period; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HG, § 21-228 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 518 Delegate Lopez, et al****POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARDS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGING COMMITTEES – MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS**

Authorizing a municipal corporation in the State to have a police accountability board to receive complaints of police misconduct from the public; requiring the board to submit an annual report to the governing body of the municipal corporation identifying trends in the disciplinary process of police officers and recommending changes to improve police accountability; and authorizing a municipal corporation to establish an administrative charging committee to serve law enforcement agencies in the municipal corporation.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

PS, §§ 3-102, 3-104(a), and 3-106(b)(1)(ii) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 519 Delegates D. Jones and Bagnall****BICYCLES, PLAY VEHICLES, AND UNICYCLES – AUTHORIZATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Authorizing a person to ride a bicycle, play vehicle, or unicycle on a sidewalk or sidewalk area unless prohibited by local ordinance; and requiring a person riding a bicycle, play vehicle, or unicycle on a sidewalk or sidewalk area or in or through a crosswalk to yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian or a person using an electric personal assistive mobility device.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TR, §§ 21-1103(b) and 21-1202(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 520 Delegate D. Jones, et al****CITY OF ANNAPOLIS – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ART ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing an art establishment beer and wine license in the City of Annapolis; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to sell or serve beer and wine for on-premises consumption to a nonprofit organization engaged in certain arts-related activities; and providing for a license fee of \$205.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

AB, § 10-1001 - renumbered and added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 521 Delegate Griffith, et al****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – PUBLIC SAFETY VOLUNTEERS**

Increasing to \$10,000 a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for an individual who is a qualifying public safety volunteer; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TG, § 10-208(i-1) - amended and § 10-208(l) - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 522 Delegate Lopez, et al****INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION – INSTITUTIONAL DEBT – REPORT**

Requiring institutions of postsecondary education to submit a report on institutional debt to the Maryland Higher Education Commission each year beginning October 1, 2024 and each October 1 thereafter; authorizing the Commission to assess a civil penalty, up to \$10,000 per violation, against an institution for failure to submit a report or knowingly including inaccurate information in a report; and establishing certain notice, appeal, and hearing procedures before a civil penalty may be assessed against an institution.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 11-212 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 523 Delegate Mireku–North, et al****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – PREGNANCY AND POSTPARTUM SUPPORT (PREVENTION OF FORCED INFANT SEPARATION ACT)**

Requiring the Division of Correction to allow a certain pregnant woman and a certain woman who recently gave birth to transfer to the prerelease unit for women for a certain time period; establishing the Healthy Start Bonding Program to facilitate strong bonds between incarcerated women and their children; and requiring the Division to allow liberal visitation between certain individuals and certain children under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CS, §§ 3-901 through 3-903 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 524 Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Stadium Authority)****MARYLAND STADIUM AUTHORITY – SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCING FUNDS – CAMDEN YARDS SPORTS FACILITIES**

Establishing the Camden Yards Football Sports Facility Supplemental Financing Fund and the Camden Yards Baseball Sports Facility Supplemental Financing Fund as special, nonlapsing funds to enable the Maryland Stadium Authority to take certain actions; requiring the Authority to administer the funds; requiring interest earnings of the funds to be credited to the funds; and altering the amount the Comptroller is required to distribute from the State Lottery Fund to certain funds.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

EC, §§ 10-652.1 and 10-652.2 - added, SF, Various Sections - amended and added, and SG, § 9-120 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 525 Delegate Guyton, et al****OUTDOOR PRESCHOOL LICENSE PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Outdoor Preschool License Pilot Program in the State Department of Education to license outdoor, nature-based early learning and child care programs; establishing the purpose of the programs is to expand access to affordable, high-quality early learning and child-care programs and investigate the benefits of outdoor, nature-based classrooms; and requiring the Department to submit a final report to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2025, with recommendations for modifying or expanding the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, §§ 9.5-1101 through 9.5-1106 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 526 St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – TRANSFER OF CHILD SUPPORT UNIT AND PERSONNEL TO THE CHILD SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION**

Transferring all the functions, powers, and duties of the Child Support Unit of the Office of the State's Attorney for St. Mary's County and specified personnel to the Child Support Administration of the Department of Human Services.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 527 Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM – TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP – MODIFICATIONS**

Making certain members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System eligible to receive creditable service at retirement for unused sick leave accrued by the member in the State Employees' Retirement System or State Employees' Pension System; and requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer certain individuals' Employees' Retirement System or Employees' Pension System service to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System on June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

SP, § 20-206(g) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 528 Delegate Forbes****STATE PERSONNEL – TELEWORKING PROGRAMS, POLICIES, AND GUIDELINES – REQUIREMENTS**

Establishing certain requirements for each teleworking program, policy, and guideline adopted by a certain appropriate official in State government; authorizing certain State employees to initiate a certain grievance; and requiring the University System of Maryland to include in a consolidated memorandum of understanding certain terms relating to teleworking.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SP, §§ 2-308 and 3-602 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations



**HB 529 Delegates Rosenberg and Attar****GAMING – VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS – LOCAL IMPACT GRANTS  
– BALTIMORE CITY**

Altering the distribution of certain funds from local impact grants to Baltimore City.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

SG, § 9-1A-31(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 530 Delegate Kerr****NATURAL RESOURCES – FOREST MITIGATION BANKS AND THE  
FOREST CONSERVATION FUND – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the definition of “qualified conservation” for purposes of provisions of law related to forest mitigation banks; extending the deadline for the Department of Natural Resources to accomplish the reforestation or afforestation for which certain money is deposited to the Forest Conservation Fund; altering the development projects for which afforestation or reforestation credits granted may not exceed a certain percentage of forest conserved; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

NR, § 15-1601 (hh) thru (qq) - renumbered and Various Sections - amended & added and Chapter 645 of the Acts of 2021, § 11 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 531 Delegate Kerr****CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – LICENSING REQUIREMENTS  
AND ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES**

Requiring a certified nursing assistant to successfully complete an approved nursing assistant training program meeting certain requirements; requiring the State Board of Nursing to provide certain notifications to geriatric nursing assistants and nursing homes regarding certain provisions of this Act; and requiring the Board to update the title of geriatric nursing assistants on the renewal of a license.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

HG, §§ 19-1410(b)(2)(vi), 19-1410.2, and 24-1901(e) and HO, §§ 8-6A-01 and 8-6A-14 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 532 Delegate Holmes****HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – AUTHORITY TO LEVY FINES**

Authorizing, subject to the provisions of the Maryland Homeowners Association Act and its declaration or bylaws, a homeowners association to levy reasonable fines for violations of the declaration, the bylaws, or the rules and regulations of the homeowners association; and requiring a homeowners association to provide notice and opportunity for a hearing prior to levying fines under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

RP, § 11B-111.11 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 533 Delegate Williams****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – LOCATION INFORMATION – EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES (KELSEY SMITH ACT FOR MARYLAND)**

Requiring certain service providers, on request of a law enforcement agency or a public safety answering point, to provide the location information for an electronic device in certain circumstances for a period of time up to 48 hours; prohibiting a person from being held civilly liable for making certain required disclosures; and requiring the Department of State Police to collect and disseminate certain information under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CP, § 1-203.2 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Economic Matters

**HB 534 Delegate Holmes****COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS, CONDOMINIUMS, AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – FUNDING OF RESERVE ACCOUNTS**

Requiring that certain funds for the reserve account of a cooperative housing corporation, a residential condominium, or a homeowners association be deposited on or before the last day of each fiscal year; extending the duration to comply with a certain funding requirement related to reserve accounts; and requiring a residential condominium or a homeowners association to review the reserve study annually for accuracy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CA, § 5-6B-26.1(f) and RP, §§ 11-109.2(c) and 11B-112.2(d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 535 Delegate Feldmark, et al****ELECTION LAW – BALLOTS – PROCESSING AND REPORTING PROCEDURES**

Altering the procedures for the canvassing of and curing of errors on absentee and provisional ballots; repealing the requirements that a certain statement of election results be by precinct and that the local boards of elections publish copies of the complete election results in a certain manner; and requiring that a certain report of election results by the State Board of Elections be reported by precinct, including reports of the early, absentee, and provisional vote.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EL, §§ 11-101, 11-302, 11-303(d), and 11-402 - amended and § 11-303.2 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 536 Delegate Clippinger (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)****COURT OFFICIALS – PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Authorizing certain judges and prosecutors and certain immediate family members to make a written request that certain personal information be removed from the Internet or from certain other publications; requiring a person who receives a request under the Act to remove the information within 72 hours; and prohibiting the inspection without permission of public records containing the home address or telephone number of certain current and former judges and prosecutors.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CJ, §§ 3-2301 and 3-2302 and GP, § 4-357 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 537 Delegate M. Morgan, et al****MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION – FINES AND FEES – REQUIRED NOTICE**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to give notice every 30 days to a person who has been previously notified by the Administration that the person owes a fine or fee until the fine or fee is satisfied.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TR, § 12-114 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 538 Delegate Love****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE**

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain water affordability assistance, including water bill arrearage forgiveness, received by an individual during the taxable year and provided by the federal government, the State, or a local government; and requiring a unit of State government or a local government that administers a water affordability assistance program to provide to the Comptroller, within 30 days of a request, certain information about water affordability assistance programs.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TG, § 10-207(oo) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 539 Delegates M. Morgan and Kipke****PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS – PROHIBITED ACTIONS**

Prohibiting a pharmacy benefits manager from taking certain actions related to pricing, the participation of a pharmacy or pharmacist in a policy or contract with the pharmacy benefits manager, fees, and the use of a mail order pharmacy by beneficiaries; providing that certain provisions of the Act apply to pharmacy benefits managers that contract with managed care organizations in the same manner as they apply to pharmacy benefits managers that contract with carriers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024

HG, § 15-102.3(k) and IN, § 15-1601(u) - added and IN, §§ 15-1601(s), (u), (v), and (w), 15-1611, and 15-1611.1 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 540 Delegate Vogel, et al****INCOME TAX – LOCAL ADVERTISEMENT TAX CREDIT**

Allowing small and medium-sized businesses with fewer than 50 employees to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain costs incurred during the taxable year for advertising through a news media entity based within the State, subject to certain limitations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

TG, § 10-757 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 541 Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – NONVESTED FORMER MEMBERS – RETURN OF ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS

Requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to pay a nonvested former member's accumulated contributions to the nonvested former member's designated beneficiary or estate if the nonvested former member dies before withdrawing the member's contributions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

SP, § 29-207 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 542 Delegate Fair**

ELECTION LAW – CITIZENS WHO LIVE OVERSEAS – RIGHT TO VOTE

Providing that citizens of the United States who have never resided in the United States and overseas voters who resided in the State before departing from the United States to live overseas are deemed to be residents of the State for purposes of voter registration under certain circumstances; authorizing an individual who is deemed to be a resident of the State to register to vote and vote in federal, State, and local elections in a certain county; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EL, §§ 3-102, 3-201, 3-305(a), 3-306(a), and 3-502 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 543 Delegate Tomlinson, et al**

STATE PROCUREMENT – SMALL PROCUREMENT – DEFINITION

Increasing certain dollar thresholds of spending for the purposes of defining "small procurement" for State procurement contracts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SF, § 13-109 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 544** Delegate Mireku–North, et al

## DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING – COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Planning, in coordination with the Maryland State Data Center, to study, report on, and make recommendations relating to certain collateral consequences for individuals with criminal records; and requiring the Department to report certain information to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 545** Delegate Hartman, et al

## VEHICLE LAWS – ANNUAL VEHICLE SHOWS – MOTOR AND TRAILER HOMES

Repealing a certain limitation on an exemption for a motor or trailer home dealer and a salesman employed by the dealer from restrictions on the number of annual vehicle shows in which the dealer or salesman may participate; authorizing out-of-state motor or trailer home dealers to participate in vehicle shows in the State; and creating an exception for motor or trailer home shows to the requirement that vehicle shows offer only new vehicles.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TR, § 15-304 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation