PLEASE NOTE: January 20 – Bill request deadline.
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 18, 2023

HB 170 Delegate Simpson, et al
MINORS CONVICTED AS ADULTS – SENTENCING – TRANSFER TO JUVENILE COURT
Requiring a court to consider certain factors before sentencing a minor convicted as an adult and to state on the record its consideration of the factors at the time of sentencing; establishing a presumption that the sentencing of a minor convicted as an adult should be transferred to the juvenile court, under certain circumstances, and authorizing the court to do so; and requiring the juvenile court to make a juvenile determination under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CP, § 6-235 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 171  Delegate Qi, et al
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – ANNUAL REPORTS – FILING FEES
Eliminating the filing fees for certain annual reports paid by business entities to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation if the annual report is filed electronically or the business entity does not report any personal property for which property tax is owed; and applying the Act to annual reports due on or after April 15, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
CA, §§ 1-201(c) and 1-203(b)(3)(ii) - amended and § 1-203(b)(3)(iii) - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 172  Delegate Kerr, et al
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSED ATHLETIC TRAINERS – DRY NEEDLING APPROVAL
Authorizing the State Board of Physicians to approve licensed athletic trainers to perform dry needling, a certain type of intramuscular manual therapy involving the insertion of one or more solid needles or a mechanical device into the muscle and related tissues to effect change in the muscle and related tissues, as a specialized task.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
HO, §§ 14-5D-01(e-1), 14-5D-11.4, and 14-5D-14(a)(30) - added and § 14-5D-14(a)(28) and (29) - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 173  Delegate Moon, et al
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA FOR ADMINISTRATION – DECRIMINALIZATION
Repealing the prohibition against a person using or possessing with intent to use, delivering or selling under certain circumstances, or manufacturing or possessing with intent to deliver or sell under certain circumstances drug paraphernalia to inject, ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce into the human body a controlled dangerous substance; altering a prohibition against a person possessing or distributing controlled paraphernalia under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CR, §§ 5-101(h), 5-619(c) and (d), and 5-620(a), (b), and (d) - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 174  Delegate Simpson, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIMS OF SEXUALLY ASSAULTIVE BEHAVIOR

Requiring a certain assistant State’s Attorney with knowledge of the case to meet with a victim of sexually assaultive behavior or the victim’s representative within 20 days after receiving a request from the victim regarding a decision by the Office of the State’s Attorney not to file a charging document or to dismiss charges against an alleged suspect; requiring the assistant State’s Attorney, at the meeting, to explain the justification for a certain decision; and establishing certain requirements for the meeting.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
CP, § 11-1009 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 175  Delegate Ebersole

BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBER – VOTING

Authorizing the student member of the Baltimore County Board of Education to vote on capital and operating budget matters.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
ED, § 3-2B-05 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 176  Delegate Feldmark, et al

LOCAL PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING – EXPANSION TO ADDITIONAL OFFICES

Authorizing the governing body of a county to establish a system of public campaign financing for the offices of State’s Attorney, sheriff, register of wills, judge and clerk of the circuit court, judge of the orphans’ court, or an elected member of the county board of education after the governing body of the county has implemented a system of public campaign financing for elective offices in the executive or legislative branches of county government for at least one complete election cycle.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023
EL, § 13-505 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 177  Delegate Feldmark, et al
ELECTIONS – BALLOT QUESTIONS – PUBLICATION OF PROPOSED LAWS

Requiring the State Board of Elections and each applicable local board of elections to post the complete text of certain proposed language or enactments relating to certain ballot questions for at least 65 days before the general election; and prohibiting the questions from appearing on the ballot unless the proposed language or the enactment has been written.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
EL, §§ 7-102 and 7-105 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 178  Delegate Reznik, et al
STATE DESIGNATIONS – STATE SPIRIT – MARYLAND RYE

Designating Maryland Rye or Maryland Rye Whiskey as the State spirit.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023
GP, § 7-318 - renumbered and added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 179  Delegate Cardin
MARYLAND ESTATE TAX – PORTABILITY – TIME PERIOD FOR ELECTION

Altering the period of time within which a person is required to file a Maryland estate tax return for the purpose of allowing a surviving spouse to take into account the deceased spousal unused exclusion amount to be consistent with the time for making a federal election.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TG, § 7-305 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 180  Delegate Reznik, et al
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION FOR ADOPTION EXPENSES – ALTERATIONS

Altering eligibility for and the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for a taxpayer who adopts a child during the taxable year.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
TG, § 10-208(b) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 181  Delegate Stewart, et al

FOUR–DAY WORKWEEK PILOT PROGRAM AND INCOME TAX CREDIT – ESTABLISHED (FOUR–DAY WORKWEEK ACT OF 2023)

Establishing the Four–Day Workweek Pilot Program in the Maryland Department of Labor for the purpose of promoting, incentivizing, and supporting the experimentation and study of the use of a 4–day workweek by private and public employers; allowing certain qualifying employers that participate in the Program to claim a credit against the State income tax in an amount to be determined by the Department; requiring the Department to report by December 1 each year on the status of the program to the Governor and the General Assembly; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

LE, §§ 3-1801 through 3-1805 and TG, § 10-757 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

HB 182  Delegates Reznik and Lopez

REAL PROPERTY – UNLAWFULLY RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS – MODIFICATION BY MUNICIPALITIES

Authorizing a municipality to execute and record a restrictive covenant modification to an unlawfully restrictive covenant for a property within the boundaries of the municipality after providing persons with an ownership interest in the property with 30 days’ written notice; and providing that persons with an ownership interest in property that is subject to an unlawfully restrictive covenant may decline action by a municipality to execute and record a restrictive covenant modification by notifying the municipality within 30 days.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

RP, § 3-112 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 183  Delegate Chang

STATE PERSONNEL – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – SUPERVISORY AND MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES

Providing collective bargaining rights to certain supervisory and managerial State employees; and requiring that certain supervisory and managerial State employees who are not confidential employees have separate bargaining units.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

SP, §§ 3-102 and 3-403 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations
**HB 184**  Delegate Solomon  

**STATE PERSONNEL – EDUCATION AND TRANSPORTATION – GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**  

Authorizing a certain employee or certain exclusive representative to initiate a grievance procedure under certain provisions of law; prohibiting the dismissal of a grievance concerning wages for a certain reason; requiring certain decision makers in a grievance procedure in certain higher education systems to award certain damages under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Transportation to be consistent with certain provisions of law and include redress for certain violations; etc.  

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023**  

SP, § 2-407, ED, §§ 13-203(e), 14-408, and 16-510(a), and TR, § 2-103.4(d) - amended and ED, § 14-302(h) - added  

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 185**  Delegate Ebersole, et al  

**NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND CHILD CARE PROVIDERS – CORPORAL PUNISHMENT – PROHIBITION**  

Prohibiting the State Board of Education from issuing a certificate of approval to noncollegiate educational institutions that do not have a policy prohibiting the administration of corporal punishment; requiring regulations adopted by the State Board for the registration of family child care homes and large family child care homes and the licensing and operation of child care centers to prohibit corporal punishment; and requiring the State Board to identify certain methods in a certain overall plan.  

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023**  

ED, §§ 2-205(q), 2-206(e), 9.5-303(c)(10) and (11), and 9.5-404(b)(3) - amended and § 9.5-303(c)(12) - added  

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 186  Delegate B. Barnes

VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAMS – SUPPLEMENTING FEDERAL FUNDING AND SUPPORT (VICTIM SERVICES STABILIZATION ACT)

Providing for the stable funding and support of trauma–informed, high–quality programs and services for victim of crime; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to help support certain programs providing services for victims of crime; requiring the Office to consult with certain individuals and organizations regarding the allocation of certain funding; and requiring the Governor to include certain funding in the State budget.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023
CP, § 11-934 - added
Assigned to: Appropriations and Judiciary