



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2023 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 26, 2023
Schedule 11

PLEASE NOTE: February 6 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 6.

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

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 26, 2023

SB 268 **Senator Ready**

GENERAL PROVISIONS – FULL-YEAR DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Altering the standard time in the State to be Eastern Daylight Time year-round; making the Act contingent on a change to federal law; and requiring the Secretary of State to monitor action by the federal government.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

GP, § 1-301 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

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SB 269 **Senator Rosapepe, et al****CRYPTOCURRENCY – CAMPAIGN FINANCE PROHIBITIONS – DISCLOSURES BY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

Prohibiting a campaign finance entity from depositing funds in a cryptocurrency account; prohibiting certain persons subject to campaign finance regulation from making or accepting contributions or donations using cryptocurrency; prohibiting a campaign finance entity or a person acting on behalf of a campaign finance entity from making an expenditure using cryptocurrency; authorizing the State Administrator of Elections or the Administrator’s designee to investigate certain violations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

EL, Various Sections - added and amended and TG, § 13-804(a)(2) and (4) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 270 **Senator Rosapepe, et al****MORE LOCAL TAX RELIEF FOR WORKING FAMILIES ACT OF 2023**

Altering, from 3.2% to 3.7%, the maximum tax rate that a county may impose on an individual’s Maryland taxable income, subject to certain limitations.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TG, § 10-106 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 271 **Senator Ready****EDUCATION – MARYLAND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Maryland Civic Engagement Program to recognize students and public schools that promote the civic readiness and civic engagement of students in public schools in the State; requiring each local school system that chooses to participate to award a student a Seal of Civic Engagement if the student meets certain criteria and designate a public school as a Center of Civil Engagement under certain circumstances; requiring an annual report on the Program be submitted to the Department of Education; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 4-142 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 272 Senator Zucker

STATE LOTTERY – INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES – FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS (ITLMS FOR HOMELESS VETERANS ACT)

Authorizing the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to issue certain fraternal organizations a license for not more than a certain number of instant ticket lottery machines for the sale of certain instant lottery tickets under certain circumstances; and providing for the distribution of the proceeds from certain lottery machine ticket sales by a fraternal organization.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

SG, § 9-112 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 273 Senators Zucker and Feldman

NATIONAL CAPITAL STRATEGIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND – AUTHORIZED USES

Repealing a provision of law requiring 100% of the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Fund to be used for community enhancement projects in sustainable communities located, at least in part, within the boundary created by Interstate 495 in the State and the District of Columbia beginning in fiscal year 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

HS, § 6-710(k) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 274 Senator Jackson (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: Budget and Taxation

SB 275 **Senator Bailey****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: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 276 **Senator McKay****LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM – FROSTBURG CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Requiring membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for local law enforcement officers of the Frostburg City Police Department under certain circumstances; providing that an individual is entitled to eligibility service and creditable service that was earned before the effective date of the Frostburg City Police Department's participation in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

SP, § 31-2A-06 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 277 **Senator McKay****REAL PROPERTY – SHERIFF'S SALES – NOTICE, PROCEDURES, AND SUBORDINATE INTERESTS**

Requiring a judgment creditor to provide notice by certified and first-class mail to certain persons regarding the time, place, and terms of the sale of any real property subject to a sheriff's sale at least 20 days before the property can be sold and to file a certain affidavit that the individual provided such notice; establishing that a sheriff's sale of real property extinguishes subordinate liens on the land being executed if the requirements of the Act are met and the judgment creditor has complied with any applicable rules; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

CJ, §§ 11-502, 11-504(c), and 11-507 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 278 **Senator Waldstreicher****PERFUSIONISTS – LICENSURE EXEMPTION – EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS OF FEDERALLY DESIGNATED ORGAN PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Exempting employees and agents of federally designated organ procurement organizations who preserve or perfuse organs from deceased human donors for certain purposes from licensure requirements for perfusionists.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HO, § 14-5E-08 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 279 **Senator Waldstreicher, et al****REAL PROPERTY – ACTIONS FOR POSSESSION – PET PROTECTIONS**

Requiring the Department of Agriculture to publish a fact sheet on the protection of pets in the event of an eviction or any other loss of possession of real property; requiring a landlord to provide information about the fact sheet at the execution of a lease on or after November 1, 2023; requiring a sheriff or any other official to return a pet to a tenant or certain other person or to contact an animal shelter or rescue organization; prohibiting the leaving of a pet on public property; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

RP, §§ 14-801 through 14-806 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 280 **Senator Gile, et al****CHILD CARE PROVIDERS – REGISTRATION AND LICENSING – EXEMPTIONS**

Exempting certain family child care homes, large family child care homes, and child care centers located on a military base or federal property or certified by a branch of the U.S. Department of Defense or the U.S. Coast Guard from certain registration and licensing requirements for child care providers in the State.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 9.5-303.1 - added and § 9.5-403 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 281 **Senator Lam, et al**

COMMISSION ON PUBLIC HEALTH – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Commission on Public Health to make recommendations to improve the delivery of foundational public health services in the State; requiring the Commission, by October 1, 2024, to conduct an assessment of the capability of the Maryland Department of Health and local health departments to provide foundational public health services; and requiring the assessment to consider the State’s response to COVID–19 and overdose deaths, and to racial and ethnic disparities in maternal mortality and birth outcomes in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

HG, §§ 13-4801 through 13-4807 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 282 **Senator King, et al**

MARYLAND FORESTRY EDUCATION FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Forestry Education Fund to expand and enhance the Maryland Forestry Foundation’s capacity to provide certain education and resources to forest landowners, the ability of district forestry boards and the knowledge of local governments to achieve healthy and sustainable forests, and the ability of businesses to test innovative best management practices in forestry; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill \$250,000 for the Fund in fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

NR, § 5-2001 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)172. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)170. and 171. - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 283 **Senator Augustine****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: Budget and Taxation and Finance