



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2023 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 31, 2023
Schedule 14

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 31, 2023

SB 365 **Senator Lam**

HEALTH INSURANCE – QUALIFIED RESIDENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM (ACCESS TO CARE ACT)

Altering the purpose of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange Fund to include the provision of funding for the establishment and operation of the Qualified Resident Enrollment Program; requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement the Program to allow qualified residents to obtain coverage, facilitate the enrollment of qualified residents in qualified health plans, and, based on the availability of funds, provide premium assistance and cost-sharing reductions to qualified residents; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

IN, §§ 31-101(u-1), 31-123, and 31-124 - added and §§ 31-107, 31-108(b)(1), and 31-115(b)(7) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

Department of Legislative Services

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SB 366 **Senator Lam****GENERAL ASSEMBLY VACANCY – POLITICAL PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEES – PROCEDURES**

Establishing requirements for the filling of a vacancy in the office of Senator or Delegate in the General Assembly by a central committee of a political party under the Maryland Constitution relating to applications, public notice, public meetings, and voting; and requiring a member of the central committee who has applied to fill the vacancy to recuse themselves from voting on the individual to fill the vacancy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EL, § 4-206 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 367 **Senator Lam****PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELATIONS ACT**

Consolidating and altering certain laws governing collective bargaining for certain public employees, including laws related to the establishment of bargaining units, elections and certification of exclusive representatives, employee and employer rights, unfair labor practices, and strikes and lockouts; establishing the Public Employee Relations Board to oversee collective bargaining activities for certain public employees; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, HG, SG, and SP, Various Sections - renumbered, repealed, amended, and added

Assigned to: Finance and Education, Energy, and the Environment