



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
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SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 16, 2023

SB 921 Senator McCray

PUBLIC SAFETY – GUN VIOLENCE VICTIM RELOCATION PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Gun Violence Victim Relocation Program within the Victim Services Unit of the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to provide certain victims of gun violence certain services and assistance related to relocating for the safety of the victim or the victim’s family; establishing the Gun Violence Victim Relocation Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; requiring the Victim Services Unit to establish a certain oversight commission; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

CP, § 11-1102 - amended, PS, §§ 5-901 through 5-907 - added, and SF, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

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SB 922 **Senator Rosapepe**MARYLAND CONSTRUCTION EDUCATION AND INNOVATION
FUND – FUNDING – ALTERATION

Increasing the mandatory appropriation for the Maryland Construction Education and Innovation Fund that is required to be included in the annual budget bill by the Governor from \$250,000 to \$625,000 beginning in fiscal year 2025.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

LE, § 11-1302(e) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 923 **Senator Rosapepe**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NR, § 5-903(a)(2)(vi) - repealed and §§ 5-903(a)(2)(vi) and 5-9D-01 through 5-9D-04 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 924 **Senators A. Washington and Carter**WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF COURT-MANDATED
FINES AND FEES

Establishing the Workgroup to Study the Impact of Court-Mandated Fines and Fees, particularly as it relates to low-income residents; requiring the Workgroup to develop a plan and legislative recommendations for eliminating or reducing court-mandated fines and fees, and a comprehensive database and schedule of court-mandated fines and fees; and requiring the Workgroup to report its plan and recommendations to the General Assembly by December 31, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 925 **Senator A. Washington**

ELECTIONS – ELECTION JUDGES – MINIMUM COMPENSATION

Establishing a minimum training course compensation of \$50 and minimum daily compensation of \$250 for election judges for each election day and each early voting day actually served.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

EL, § 10-205 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 926 **Senator A. Washington**

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES – BURDEN OF PROOF

.Requiring a county board of education to bear the burden of proof in due process proceedings that initiate from a due process complaint regarding the provision of special education services or a program for a child with disabilities in the county in which the county board is located, except under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, § 8-413 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 927 **Senator Waldstreicher**

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES – POLICE–INITIATED TOWING – ALTERATIONS

Altering certain provisions related to the rates the Department of State Police sets for tow companies involved in certain police–initiated towing; establishing the Committee on Rate Setting and Complaint Resolution for Police–Initiated Towing; and requiring the Committee, on or before December 1, 2023, to recommend approved rates to the Department of State Police that should be charged for police–initiated towing and recovery services.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

PS, § 2-314 - amended and § 2-314.1 - added and CL, § 16A-101 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 928 **Senator Griffith****INSURANCE – CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE MODEL LAW –
RECIPROCAL JURISDICTIONS**

Prohibiting the Maryland Insurance Commissioner from removing from a certain list of reciprocal jurisdictions created and published by the Commissioner certain jurisdictions located outside the United States and certain jurisdictions in the United States that meet certain accreditation requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

IN, § 5-917(b) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 929 **Senator Griffith****COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – NAME AND
ORGANIZATION OF OFFICE**

Establishing the name of a certain office under the Commissioner of Financial Regulation in the Maryland Department of Labor as the Office of Financial Regulation; designating a certain appointee of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation as the Deputy Commissioner for Depository Activities; requiring the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to appoint a Deputy Commissioner for Non-Depository Activities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

BR, § 7-201, FI, §§ 2-101, 2-103, 2-110, 2-113(c), 2-119, 11-611, & 12-105.1(a)(5), RP, § 7-105.14(i)(1), & SG, § 8-403(22) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 930 **Senator McKay****MOTOR VEHICLES – RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEALER
AGREEMENTS**

Requiring recreational vehicle dealers to hold a dealer agreement with manufacturers to sell manufacturer's recreational vehicles in the State; and altering the required terms and conditions of a recreational dealer agreement, including terms and conditions related to termination and nonrenewal, transfer of dealer ownership, warranty obligations, dealer inspection and rejection of recreational vehicles, and prohibited acts, dispute resolution, and penalties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

TR, §§ 15-201.1, 15-301.1, and 15-901 through 15-909 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 931 Senator Hester**PUBLIC UTILITIES – CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY – SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEMS**

Defining “generating station” as it relates to the requirement to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity or approval from the Public Service Commission for a person who constructs a generating station that has the capacity to produce more than 2 megawatts of electricity from a solar photovoltaic system.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023

PU, §§ 7-207(a), 7-207.1, and 7-207.2 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 932 Senator Muse**DECLARATION OF RIGHTS – RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, RELIGIOUS TESTS, AND OATHS AND AFFIRMATIONS**

Altering and removing references requiring a belief in God from certain provisions relating to religious freedom, religious tests, and oaths and affirmations.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Declaration of Rights, Art. 36 and 37 - amended and Art. 39 - repealed

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 933 Senators McKay and Mautz**VEHICLE LAWS – PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR REQUIREMENT FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDES – EXCEPTION (IN REMEMBRANCE OF GARY “PAPPY” BOWARD)**

Establishing an exception to the prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without certain protective headgear for an individual at least 21 years of age who has been licensed to operate a motorcycle for at least 2 years or has completed a certain motorcycle safety course and for the individual’s passenger.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2023

TR, § 21-1306 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 934 **Senators Zucker and Guzzone**STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – DIVISION OF
REHABILITATION SERVICES – FUNDING AND STAFFING

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill, beginning in fiscal year 2025, certain appropriations to the Division of Rehabilitation Services in the State Department of Education in accordance with certain federal acts and sufficient to employ 74 staff members in the Division.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, Various Sections - amended and § 21-304(d) - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 935 **Senator Jennings**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS – FIREARMS
REQUIRED

Requiring a Baltimore City school police officer and a school resource officer to carry a firearm while present on the premises of the school to which the officer is assigned.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

ED, §§ 4-318(d)(3)(i) and 7-1508 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules