

April 25, 2024

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On April 25, 2024, the Honorable Wes Moore, Governor; the Honorable Bill Ferguson, President of the Senate; and the Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following pieces of legislation, which you passed:

HB 538 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

Chapter 122 LAND USE – AFFORDABLE HOUSING – ZONING DENSITY AND PERMITTING (HOUSING EXPANSION AND AFFORDABILITY ACT OF 2024)

Establishing the Historic Property Revitalization Director as a position in the Department of Housing and Community Development; prohibiting a local legislative body from prohibiting the placement of certain manufactured homes or modular dwellings in a zoning district that allows single-family residential uses under certain circumstances; requiring local jurisdictions to allow an increase in density of certain qualified projects in certain districts or zones for certain properties; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

- HB 599** **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**
Chapter 123 MARYLAND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT CORPORATION –
ESTABLISHMENT (HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT FINANCING ACT OF 2024)
- Establishing the Maryland Community Investment Corporation as an independent unit to make investments and financial assistance available in certain low-income communities in the State; expanding the eligible uses of the Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund to include grants and loans for credit enhancement for certain projects; requiring that members of the investment committee to be geographically representative of the locations of low-income communities in the State; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 693** **The Speaker (By Request – Departmental – Housing and**
Chapter 124 **Community Development), et al**
RENTERS’ RIGHTS AND STABILIZATION ACT OF 2024
- Establishing the Office of Tenant and Landlord Affairs in the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide certain educational resources and information to tenants; requiring the Office to develop and publish a Maryland Tenants’ Bill of Rights; requiring the most recently published version of the Maryland Tenants’ Bill of Rights to be included as part of a residential lease; limiting the maximum security deposit required by a residential lease to 1 month’s rent, except under certain circumstances; etc.
CONTINGENT – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
- HB 1117** **Delegate Stewart, et al**
Chapter 125 LANDLORD AND TENANT – FAILURE TO REPAIR SERIOUS
AND DANGEROUS DEFECTS – TENANT REMEDIES (TENANT
SAFETY ACT OF 2024)
- Establishing that a landlord that offers a residential dwelling unit for rent is deemed to warrant the dwelling fit for human habitation; authorizing multiple tenants to join as plaintiffs in a civil action against a landlord and authorizing a court to issue an order for separate trials or other orders necessary to prevent delay or avoid prejudice; providing that a court may order certain relief in civil actions relating to the breach of warranty of habitability, including actual damages, abatement of rent, and lease termination; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 333** **Delegate Rosenberg, et al**
Chapter 126 **ELECTION LAW – ELECTION DISINFORMATION AND IMPROPER INFLUENCE RELATED TO VOTING**
- Requiring the State Board of Elections to maintain a portal on the State Board’s website that the public may use to report election misinformation and election disinformation; requiring the State Board to conduct a periodic review of material submitted by the public through the portal and, to the extent necessary, issue corrective information or refer submissions to the State Prosecutor; and defining “influence” for purposes of certain provisions of law prohibiting improper influence related to voting.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- HB 1287** **The Speaker, et al**
Chapter 127 **SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS**
- Altering the school leadership training program developed by the State Department of Education and the Accountability and Implementation Board to require that the State Superintendent, county superintendents, and the chair and vice chair of the State Board, a county board, and the Accountability and Implementation Board complete the training; combining two leadership trainings into a single training; and providing for the content of the school leadership training.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- HB 1386** **Delegate Atterbeary, et al**
Chapter 128 **EDUCATION – SCHOOL EMPLOYEE ANTIBIAS TRAINING – REQUIREMENTS**
- Requiring the State Department of Education to develop guidelines for an antibias training program for school employees; requiring each county board of education to offer training based on the guidelines; requiring each county board, every other year, to provide antibias training to each public school employee whose job duties include frequent interaction with students; requiring that antibias training be job–embedded, paid professional development training that is provided during nonteaching time; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 785 **Delegate D. Jones, et al**
Chapter 129 **FREEDOM TO READ ACT**

Establishing a State policy that local school systems operate their school library media programs consistent with certain standards; requiring each local school system to develop a policy and procedures to review objections to materials in a school library media program; prohibiting a county board of education from dismissing, demoting, suspending, disciplining, reassigning, transferring, or otherwise retaliating against certain school library media program personnel for performing their job duties consistent with certain standards; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL

SB 738 **Senator King, et al**
Chapter 130 **FREEDOM TO READ ACT**

Establishing a State policy that local school systems operate their school library media programs consistent with certain standards; requiring each local school system to develop a policy and procedures to review objections to materials in a school library media program; prohibiting a county board of education from dismissing, demoting, suspending, disciplining, reassigning, transferring, or otherwise retaliating against certain school library media program personnel for performing their job duties consistent with certain standards; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL

HB 602 **The Speaker and Delegate Clippinger**
Chapter 131 **EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION – SEXUAL ORIENTATION**

Altering certain provisions of law prohibiting employment discrimination on the basis of sex and gender identity to also prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 609

Chapter 132

Delegate Solomon, et al

EDUCATION – PUBLIC LIBRARIES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING (LIBRARY WORKERS EMPOWERMENT ACT)

Authorizing employees of public libraries to form, join, and participate in an employee organization and engage in certain other activities related to collective bargaining; requiring employers and certified exclusive representatives to engage in good faith bargaining; establishing a collective bargaining process for employees of public libraries; prohibiting employers and employee organizations from engaging in certain actions regarding the exercise of an employee's rights under the Act; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 260

Chapter 133

Delegate Chang

STATE PERSONNEL – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES

Providing collective bargaining rights to certain supervisory State employees; and requiring that certain supervisory State employees have separate bargaining units.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 192

Chapter 134

Senator Kramer

STATE PERSONNEL – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1005

Chapter 135

Delegate McCaskill

CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM –
MEMBERSHIP

Altering membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to include certain employees of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer the creditable service of employees transferred into the Correctional Officers' Retirement System under the Act unless the employee elects not to transfer service on or before June 1, 2025; authorizing certain employees to elect not to transfer service; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 972

Chapter 136

Senator Guzzone

CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM –
MEMBERSHIP

Altering membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to include certain employees of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer the creditable service of employees transferred into the Correctional Officers' Retirement System under the Act; authorizing certain employees to elect, on or before June 1, 2025, not to transfer service to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 680

Chapter 137

The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)

STATE GOVERNMENT – ATTORNEY GENERAL –
DETERMINATIONS AND SETTLEMENTS

Requiring the judge or jury in certain actions to make a certain determination and assign responsibility and liability in a certain manner; authorizing the State to continue to pursue certain actions if it does not obtain complete relief from certain responsible persons; establishing that certain provisions of law requiring uniform contribution among joint tort-feasors do not apply to certain actions; and establishing the impact of a certain settlement on the liability of certain responsible persons.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 1086 **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Office of the**
Chapter 138 **Attorney General)**

COMPENSATION FOR INDIVIDUALS ERRONEOUSLY
CONVICTED – ALTERATIONS

Altering certain benefits that a certain individual who has been erroneously convicted of a crime is entitled to receive; requiring the State to notify a certain individual of certain information in writing under certain circumstances when the State intends to reduce or prevent an award of compensation to the individual; and repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to the filing of a certain petition for compensation.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 890 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Office**
Chapter 139 **of the Attorney General)**

COMPENSATION FOR INDIVIDUALS ERRONEOUSLY
CONVICTED – ALTERATIONS

Altering certain benefits that a certain individual who has been erroneously convicted of a crime is entitled to receive; requiring the State to notify a certain individual of certain information in writing under certain circumstances when the State intends to reduce or prevent an award of compensation to the individual; and repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to the filing of a certain petition for compensation.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1002 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By**
Chapter 140 **Request – Office of the Attorney General), et al**

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – INVESTIGATIVE
AUTHORITY – HEALTH CARE FRAUD

Authorizing the Office of the Attorney General, a Deputy Attorney General, or an Assistant Attorney General to issue a subpoena to a person to produce certain materials, answer written interrogatories, and give certain testimony in furtherance of an ongoing health care fraud investigation under the Maryland False Health Claims Act or other civil authority; authorizing the Attorney General to report a failure to obey a certain subpoena to the circuit court with jurisdiction over the matter; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 723 **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**
Chapter 141 OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – RIGHTS OF
RESIDENTS OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – INJUNCTIVE
RELIEF

Authorizing the Attorney General to seek injunctive relief on behalf of the State on the basis of an imminent or ongoing violation of certain rights of residents of certain health care facilities; requiring that the resident bill of rights for assisted living program residents include certain rights; and prohibiting the Attorney General from duplicating certain corrective action by the Maryland Department of Health.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1103 **The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**
Chapter 142 HOSPITALS AND RELATED INSTITUTIONS – OUTPATIENT
FACILITY FEES

Altering the required contents of the written notice regarding outpatient facility fees; requiring the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission, in consultation with certain entities, to study and make recommendations regarding hospital outpatient facility fees; requiring the Commission to convene a workgroup on outpatient facility fees notices; and requiring the Commission to submit, on or before December 1, 2024, a report to certain committees of the General Assembly on certain recommendations.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 846 **The Speaker (By Request – State Treasurer)**
Chapter 143 STATE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
INVESTMENT GUIDELINES – INVESTMENT STANDARDS

Requiring the Treasurer to consult with governmental entities prior to proposing certain regulations; repealing the limitations on investment in certain assets in which the Treasurer may invest or reinvest certain unexpended or surplus funds; authorizing the Treasurer to retain investments made prior to the effective date of the Act until the investments have reached their respective maturity dates; authorizing the Treasurer and governmental entities to invest or reinvest in certain surplus funds under certain circumstances.
EMERGENCY BILL

SB 776

Chapter 144

The President (By Request – State Treasurer)

**STATE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
INVESTMENT GUIDELINES – INVESTMENT STANDARDS**

Requiring the Treasurer to consult with governmental entities prior to proposing certain regulations; requiring the Treasurer to adopt regulations, on or before December 1, 2024, that specify asset classes in which the Treasurer may invest; requiring the Treasurer to notify governing bodies of certain governmental entities about certain updates to certain investment standards; authorizing the Treasurer to retain investments made prior to the effective date of the Act until the investments have reached their respective maturity dates; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 1150

Chapter 145

The Speaker (By Request – State Treasurer)

**MARYLAND UNIFORM DISPOSITION OF ABANDONED
PROPERTY ACT – MARYLAND 529 PROGRAM – EXEMPTION**

Exempting certain accounts under the Maryland 529 Program from the provisions of the Maryland Uniform Disposition of Abandoned Property Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 800

Chapter 146

The President (By Request – State Treasurer)

**MARYLAND UNIFORM DISPOSITION OF ABANDONED
PROPERTY ACT – MARYLAND 529 PROGRAM – EXEMPTION**

Exempting certain accounts under the Maryland 529 Program from the provisions of the Maryland Uniform Disposition of Abandoned Property Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 321 **Senator Jackson**

Chapter 150

PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR HOTEL OR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property that is used for certain hotel or residential development projects; and altering eligibility for a certain property tax credit in Wicomico County against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property that is used for certain hotel or residential development projects.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 577 **Delegate Grossman, et al**

Chapter 151

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – STUDY ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOMELESS SHELTER LICENSING PROGRAM

Establishing the Study on the Establishment of a Homeless Shelter Licensing Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring the Study to review current habitability and admissions standards of homeless shelters in the State; and requiring the Study to report to a certain Assistant Secretary in the Department and certain committees in the General Assembly by July 1, 2025, its recommendations on habitability and admission standards and a plan to establish a program in the Department to license homeless shelters.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1107 **Senator M. Washington, et al**

Chapter 152

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – STUDY ON
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOMELESS SHELTER LICENSING
PROGRAM

Establishing the Study on the Establishment of a Homeless Shelter Licensing Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring the Study to review current habitability and admissions standards of homeless shelters in the State; and requiring the Study, by July 1, 2025, to report to the Assistant Secretary of the Homeless Solutions Division of the Department and certain committees of the General Assembly on its recommendations for a plan to establish a program to license homeless shelters in the State.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 283 **Delegate Palakovich Carr**

Chapter 153

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – AFFORDABLE
HOUSING – IDENTIFYING SUITABLE PROPERTY

Repealing a requirement that the Department of Housing and Community Development identify certain property as suitable for use or redevelopment; prohibiting the Department from identifying certain property for use or redevelopment as affordable housing; and requiring the Department to consider certain factors when identifying whether a property is suitable for use or redevelopment as affordable housing.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 333 **Senator Hettleman**

Chapter 154

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – AFFORDABLE
HOUSING – IDENTIFYING SUITABLE PROPERTY

Repealing a requirement that the Department of Housing and Community Development identify certain property as suitable for use or redevelopment; prohibiting the Department from identifying certain property for use or redevelopment as affordable housing; and requiring the Department to consider certain factors when identifying whether a property is suitable for use or redevelopment as affordable housing.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 873** **Delegate Taylor**
Chapter 155 APPRAISAL GAP FROM HISTORIC REDLINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS
- Expanding eligibility for financial assistance under the Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program to include individuals who purchase certain qualified property after a qualified project is completed, at an affordable sales price as determined by certain regulations, and as an owner–occupant.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 704** **Senator Hayes**
Chapter 156 APPRAISAL GAP FROM HISTORIC REDLINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS
- Expanding eligibility for financial assistance under the Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program to include individuals who purchase certain qualified property after a qualified project is completed, at an affordable sales price as determined by certain regulations, and as an owner–occupant.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 418** **Senator Watson**
Chapter 157 SEED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ANCHOR INSTITUTION FUND – ALTERATIONS
- Expanding the purpose and use of the Seed Community Development Anchor Institution Fund administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development to include providing grants and loans to anchor institutions for a certain purpose in sustainable communities; and repealing a requirement that certain matching funds be from a private source.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 510** **Delegate Stewart**
Chapter 158 **BUSINESS FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBLE FUNDING RECIPIENTS**
- Expanding the eligible recipients of funding provided by the Department of Housing and Community Development under the Business Facade Improvement Program to include community development organizations that serve at least one sustainable community and apply for funds.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 394** **Senator Hester, et al**
Chapter 159 **CATALYTIC REVITALIZATION PROJECT TAX CREDIT – ALTERATIONS**
- Altering the amount of a certain credit against the State income tax that certain persons may claim for certain construction and rehabilitation costs for certain catalytic revitalization projects in the State; repealing a certain limitation on the number of initial tax credit certificates the Secretary of Housing and Community Development may award within a 2-year period; prohibiting the Secretary from revoking a tax credit certificate awarded on or before July 1, 2024, except under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 860** **Delegates Allen and Boafo**
Chapter 160 **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – COMMUNITY ACTION BOARDS**
- Requiring certain community action boards to meet certain federal requirements for tripartite boards; and repealing certain requirements relating to the composition of community action boards.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 202

Senator Benson

Chapter 161

DEPARTMENT OF AGING – CAREGIVER EXPENSE GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Caregiver Expense Grant Program in the Department of Aging to award grants to certain caregivers for up to 30% of the qualified expenses that exceed \$2,000 paid or incurred by the caregiver to provide care or support to certain qualified family members; and authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of up to \$5,000,000 to the Program.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 151

Delegate Patterson

Chapter 162

CHARLES COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – VACANCY PROCEDURES – TIMING AND VIDEO STREAMING AND ARCHIVING

Requiring the Charles County Board of Education to fill a vacancy on the county board within 90 days after the vacancy occurs; authorizing the Board to choose not to fill a vacancy that occurs in an election year for a seat that is vacant; and requiring the county board to make publicly available through its website live video streaming and complete video recordings of public meetings during which the county board conducts interviews of applicants for a vacancy on the county board.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1219

Delegate Feldmark, et al

Chapter 163

PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS – VENUE-SPECIFIC EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS FOR ATHLETIC FACILITIES (THE BAILEY BULLOCK ACT)

Requiring that each public middle school and high school alter the venue-specific emergency action plan for athletic facilities to incorporate a cardiac emergency response plan; requiring each nonpublic middle school and high school that receives State funding to develop a venue-specific emergency action plan for athletic facilities; specifying the contents of a nonpublic venue-specific emergency action plan; and requiring that the emergency action plans be reviewed and updated annually.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

[HB 1426](#)

Chair, Ways and Means Committee

Chapter 164

EDUCATION – BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND’S FUTURE – ALTERATIONS

Authorizing the State Department of Education to award funding for a new Judy Center or Family Support Center for planning and development under a certain circumstance; requiring the State Board to approve certain specifications for teachers and administrators relating to time spent in the classroom and time spent on other teacher activities; altering certain requirements relating to student-to-classroom personnel ratios and funding timelines for the Prekindergarten Expansion Grant Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

[HB 1441](#)

Delegate Atterbeary, et al

Chapter 165

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION – PUBLICLY FUNDED PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS – ALTERATIONS

Altering staff qualifications in eligible prekindergarten programs; authorizing a county board to apply for funding to lease space for prekindergarten programs; establishing an early childhood educator career ladder; requiring the Department of Education to establish prekindergarten provider hubs; requiring the Department to distribute a list of eligible private prekindergarten providers; requiring the Governor to appropriate in fiscal year 2026 an amount that is at least equal to the amount appropriated in fiscal year 2024; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

[SB 540](#)

Senator Gile, et al

Chapter 166

EDUCATION – SCHOOL MAPPING DATA PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the School Mapping Data Program in the Maryland Center for School Safety; providing that the purpose of the Program is to provide funds to local school systems to produce school mapping data for each public school in the county, including public charter schools, to assist first responders in responding to emergencies at a school; requiring a custodian of records to deny inspection of any school mapping data produced under the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 472 **Delegate Atterbeary, et al**

Chapter 167 EDUCATION – SCHOOL MAPPING DATA PROGRAM –
ESTABLISHED

Establishing the School Mapping Data Program in the Maryland Center for School Safety; providing that the purpose of the Program is to provide funds to local school systems to produce school mapping data for each public school and public charter school in the county to assist first responders in responding to emergencies at a school; authorizing the use of the Safe Schools Fund to provide funding to local school systems for the program; and requiring a certain custodian of records to deny inspection of school mapping data.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1163 **Delegate Atterbeary**

Chapter 168 STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – DIVISION OF
REHABILITATION SERVICES – FUNDING

Authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill a certain appropriation to the Division of Rehabilitation Services in the State Department of Education to ensure the State match amount for the Division is met as required by certain federal acts.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 859 **Senators Zucker and Guzzone**

Chapter 169 STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – DIVISION OF
REHABILITATION SERVICES – FUNDING

Authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill a certain appropriation to the Division of Rehabilitation Services in the State Department of Education to ensure the State match amount for the Division is met as required by certain federal acts.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 797

Senator Hester, et al

Chapter 170

EDUCATION – ACCESS TO ATTORNEYS, ADVOCATES, AND CONSULTANTS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHED

Requiring certain information to be provided to the parents of a child with a disability under certain circumstances; establishing the Access to Attorneys, Advocates, and Consultants for Special Education Program; establishing the Access to Attorneys, Advocates, and Consultants for Special Education Fund; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Fund beginning in fiscal year 2026; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 903

Delegate Atterbeary, et al

Chapter 171

EDUCATION – ACCESS TO ATTORNEYS, ADVOCATES, AND CONSULTANTS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHED

Requiring certain information to be provided to the parents of a child with a disability under certain circumstances; establishing the Access to Attorneys, Advocates, and Consultants for Special Education Program; establishing the Access to Attorneys, Advocates, and Consultants for Special Education Fund; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Fund beginning in fiscal year 2026; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 336

Chapter 172

Delegate Forbes, et al

MARYLAND ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE) PROGRAM – MATERIALS FOR INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM, INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN, AND 504 PLAN MEETINGS

Requiring a local school system to provide to parents at certain individualized education program, individualized family service plan, and 504 plan meetings for children with disabilities certain written informational materials regarding the Maryland ABLE Program; requiring the State Treasurer to develop informational materials about the Maryland ABLE Program that may be distributed electronically or by hand; and requiring the State Treasurer to provide informational materials to the State Board of Education and county boards.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 592

Chapter 173

Senator Zucker, et al

MARYLAND ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE) PROGRAM – MATERIALS FOR INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM, INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN, AND 504 PLAN MEETINGS

Requiring a local school system to provide to parents at certain individualized education program, individualized family service plan, and 504 plan meetings for children with disabilities certain written informational materials regarding the Maryland ABLE Program; requiring the State Treasurer to develop informational materials about the Maryland ABLE Program that may be distributed electronically or by hand; and requiring the State Treasurer to provide informational materials to the State Board of Education and county boards.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- SB 967** **Senator Zucker, et al**
Chapter 174 HIGHER EDUCATION – PART-TIME SENATORIAL AND
 DELEGATE SCHOLARSHIPS – ALTERATIONS
- Allowing an applicant of a part-time senatorial or delegate scholarship with a documented disability to request from the Maryland Higher Education Commission a waiver from the requirement to carry at least 6 semester hours of courses each semester.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 901** **Delegate Wolek, et al**
Chapter 175 HIGHER EDUCATION – PART-TIME SENATORIAL AND
 DELEGATE SCHOLARSHIPS – ALTERATIONS
- Allowing an applicant of a part-time senatorial or delegate scholarship with a documented disability to request from the Maryland Higher Education Commission a waiver from the requirement to carry at least 6 semester hours of courses each semester.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 1178** **Senator Bailey, et al**
Chapter 176 HIGHER EDUCATION – DOUGLAS J. J. PETERS VETERANS OF
 THE AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ CONFLICTS SCHOLARSHIP –
 REPEAL OF SERVICE TERMINAL DATE
- Repealing the service terminal date required to be eligible for the Douglas J. J. Peters Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship.
EMERGENCY BILL

HB 96

Chapter 177

Delegate T. Morgan

**HEALTH – NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM –
IMPLEMENTATION OF TESTING**

Repealing a certain requirement related to the inclusion of a core condition in the system for newborn screening; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to implement testing for a core condition listed in the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel within a certain time period after the core condition is added to the Panel; authorizing the Department to screen for any condition recommended by the Advisory Council and approved by the Secretary; requiring the Department to implement testing for Krabbe leukodystrophy at a certain time; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 117

Chapter 178

Senator Bailey

**HEALTH – NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM –
IMPLEMENTATION OF TESTING**

Repealing a certain requirement related to the inclusion of a core condition in the system for newborn screening; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to implement testing for a core condition listed in the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel within 1 year and 6 months after the core condition is added to the Panel; requiring the Department to implement testing for Krabbe leukodystrophy within 1 year after the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services issues a recommendation to add screening of the condition to the Panel; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 1077

Chapter 179

Senators Corderman and Hester

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – APPROPRIATIONS FOR SCHOOL SAFETY
EXPENDITURES – SCHOOL SECURITY EMPLOYEES**

Authorizing local school systems to use certain funds for school security employees.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1139

Chapter 183

Delegate Solomon

GROWING FAMILY CHILD CARE OPPORTUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM – PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Growing Family Child Care Opportunities Pilot Program as a permanent program; and extending the appropriation that the Governor is required to make in the annual budget bill to the Program to fiscal year 2026.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 882

Chapter 184

Senator King

GROWING FAMILY CHILD CARE OPPORTUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM – PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Growing Family Child Care Opportunities Pilot Program as a permanent program; and extending the appropriation that the Governor is required to make in the annual budget bill to the Program to fiscal year 2026.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 377

Chapter 185

Senator King

HIGHER EDUCATION – TEACHER DEVELOPMENT AND RETENTION PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS

Altering the definition of “institution of initial eligibility” to include community colleges as eligible institutions as part of the criteria for applicants for the Teacher Development and Retention Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 75

Chapter 186

Delegate Ebersole

HIGHER EDUCATION – TEACHER DEVELOPMENT AND RETENTION PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS

Altering the definition of “institution of initial eligibility” to include community colleges as eligible institutions as part of the criteria for applicants for the Teacher Development and Retention Program; altering the evaluation requirements for the Program; requiring the Higher Education Commission to conduct an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Program and report the results to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2030; and altering the termination date from June 30, 2029 to June 30, 2030.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 771

Senator M. Washington

Chapter 187

EDUCATION – INITIAL TEACHER CERTIFICATION – REQUIREMENTS

Repealing a provision of law that requires a teacher preparation program to require a student to pass a certain assessment as a graduation requirement; altering the requirements for initial teacher certification; authorizing a local school system to establish a comprehensive induction program to aid in meeting a certain requirement for initial teacher certification; and altering the qualification requirements for a teacher who holds a professional license or certificate from another state.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 945

Delegate Ebersole, et al

Chapter 188

EDUCATION – INITIAL TEACHER CERTIFICATION – REQUIREMENTS

Repealing a provision of law that requires a teacher preparation program to require a student to pass a certain assessment as a graduation requirement; altering the requirements for initial teacher certification; authorizing a local school system to establish a comprehensive induction program to aid in meeting a certain requirement for initial teacher certification; altering the qualification requirements for a teacher who holds a professional license or certificate from another state; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 577

Senator King

Chapter 189

INCOME TAX – OPPORTUNITY FOR FILERS TO REGISTER TO MAKE ANATOMICAL GIFT

Requiring the Comptroller to implement procedures to offer an individual filing a Maryland resident individual income tax return electronically the opportunity to register to make an anatomical gift in accordance with the Maryland Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act through a hyperlink to a certain anatomical gift donor registry; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1068

Chapter 190

Delegate Feldmark

INCOME TAX – OPPORTUNITY FOR FILERS TO REGISTER TO MAKE ANATOMICAL GIFT

Requiring the Comptroller to implement procedures to offer certain income tax return filers the opportunity to register to make an anatomical gift in accordance with the Maryland Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act through a hyperlink to the anatomical gift donor registry.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 579

Chapter 191

Senator Guzzone

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAMS – UNIVERSAL EXPANSION REPORT

Requiring the State Department of Education, on or before December 1, 2024, to report to the General Assembly on a cost estimate for providing free breakfast and lunch to all students in public schools in the State; and requiring the Department, as part of its report, to compile research completed in other states that have established universal meal programs and prepare a summary of any findings presented in those reports.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 581

Chapter 192

Senator Guzzone

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM – MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND – STATE AND LOCAL COST-SHARE

Altering the State and local cost-share formula for the Public School Construction Program for the Maryland School for the Blind to set the State share at 100%.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 773

Chapter 193

Delegate D. Jones, et al

HUMAN SERVICES – INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND SERVICE–DISABLED VETERANS BOATING FUND

Establishing the Individuals With Disabilities and Service–Disabled Veterans Boating Fund to provide sailing, boating, kayaking, canoeing, and paddleboarding and surfing opportunities for individuals with disabilities and service–disabled veterans; requiring the Department of Disabilities to administer the Fund; prohibiting the Department from providing a grant of more than \$40,000 in a fiscal year; and establishing the qualifications for certain nonprofit organizations to receive a grant from the Fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 597

Chapter 194

Senator Guzzone

HUMAN SERVICES – INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND SERVICE–DISABLED VETERANS BOATING FUND

Establishing the Individuals with Disabilities and Service–Disabled Veterans Boating Fund to provide sailing, boating, kayaking, canoeing, paddleboarding, and surfing opportunities for individuals with disabilities and service–disabled veterans; requiring the Department of Disabilities to administer the Fund; establishing the qualifications for nonprofit organizations to receive grants from the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 522

Chapter 195

Delegate D. Jones, et al

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT TELEHEALTH APPOINTMENTS – STATE GUIDELINES, POLICIES, AND ACCESS

Requiring, by December 31, 2024, the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health jointly to adopt certain State guidelines for school health services regarding student access to telehealth appointments during the school day on the premises of public middle and high schools in the State; and requiring each county board of education to adopt and implement a certain student telehealth policy before the start of the 2025–2026 school year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- SB 517** **Senator A. Washington**
Chapter 196 **NEXT GENERATION SCHOLARS OF MARYLAND PROGRAM –
PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR – ALTERATIONS**
- Altering the administrator of the Next Generation Scholars of Maryland Program to be the Maryland Higher Education Commission rather than the State Department of Education; and requiring the Department to assist the Commission with the review of applications and the selection of nonprofit organizations to administer the Program in local school systems.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 624** **Delegate Barnes**
Chapter 197 **NEXT GENERATION SCHOLARS OF MARYLAND PROGRAM –
PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR – ALTERATIONS**
- Altering the administrator of the Next Generation Scholars of Maryland Program to be the Maryland Higher Education Commission rather than the State Department of Education; and requiring the Department to assist the Commission with the review of applications and the selection of nonprofit organizations to administer the Program in local school systems.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 697** **Delegate Griffith**
Chapter 198 **REAL ESTATE BROKERS – COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS –
BUYER’S RIGHTS**
- Establishing certain requirements and prohibitions for commercial real estate transactions related to a buyer’s right to make certain title, settlement, and escrow selections.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 1169** **Senator Hershey**
Chapter 199 **REAL ESTATE BROKERS – COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS –
BUYER’S RIGHTS**
- Establishing certain requirements and prohibitions for commercial real estate transactions related to a buyer’s right to make certain title, settlement, and escrow selections.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 116

Chapter 200

Senator West

ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES – RESTRICTION ON PRACTICING LAW

Altering a prohibition on judges of the orphans' court acting as attorneys to prohibit a judge of the orphans' court from acting as an attorney in matters related to the administration of an estate or a guardianship of a minor within the jurisdiction of the court in any county or Baltimore City, or the preparation of an estate plan or estate planning documents that might come within the jurisdiction of the court in any county or Baltimore City following the death of any individual.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 528

Chapter 201

Delegate Buckel

ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES – RESTRICTION ON PRACTICING LAW

Altering a prohibition on judges of the orphans' court acting as attorneys to prohibit a judge of the orphans' court from acting as an attorney in matters related to the administration of an estate or a guardianship of a minor within the jurisdiction of the court in any county or Baltimore City, or the preparation of an estate plan or estate planning documents that might come within the jurisdiction of the court in any county or Baltimore City following the death of any individual.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1034

Chapter 202

Baltimore City Delegation (By Request – Baltimore City Sheriff)

BALTIMORE CITY SHERIFF – STAFFING

Increasing from one to three the number of assistant sheriffs required to be appointed by the Baltimore City Sheriff; authorizing the Baltimore City Sheriff to appoint social workers and any additional sworn or civilian personnel if the funding for the personnel is provided in the ordinance of estimates or any other source; and applying the Act to all full-time sworn law enforcement officers who are deputy sheriffs at the rank of lieutenant or below and court security officers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 387 **Baltimore City Delegation**

Chapter 203

**PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – SURVEILLANCE IMAGES –
ILLEGAL DUMPING IN BALTIMORE CITY**

Altering a requirement that a custodian deny inspection of certain surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City to allow inspection by an employee or agent of the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development; and authorizing the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development to publicly disseminate a surveillance image as part of an investigation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 643

Chapter 204

Senator Carter (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

**PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – SURVEILLANCE IMAGES –
ILLEGAL DUMPING IN BALTIMORE CITY**

Altering a requirement that a custodian deny inspection of certain surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City to allow inspection by employees or agents of the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development; and authorizing the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development to publicly disseminate a surveillance image as part of an investigation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 1033

Chapter 205

Senator Carter

**MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – LOCAL
REQUESTS FOR GUIDANCE – RELIGIOUS CONSIDERATIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, on request of a local jurisdiction and in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, to provide guidance for the implementation and enforcement of the Maryland Building Performance Standards in relation to any religious observance, practice, or belief.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 926 **Delegate Griffith**

Chapter 206

**MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – LOCAL
REQUESTS FOR GUIDANCE – RELIGIOUS CONSIDERATIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, on request of a local jurisdiction and in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, to provide guidance for the implementation and enforcement of the Maryland Building Performance Standards in relation to any religious observance, practice, or belief.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 136 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –
Chapter 207** **Departmental – Labor)**

**EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS, PREVAILING WAGE, AND LIVING
WAGE – EMPLOYER ADVERSE ACTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT**

Prohibiting employers from taking or threatening to take adverse action against an employee because the employee takes certain actions regarding rights and responsibilities, complaints, investigations, proceedings, or hearings; authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, within 90 days after receipt of a written complaint, to investigate a violation and attempt to resolve the issue informally through mediation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 250 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee
Chapter 208** **(By Request – Departmental – State Library)**

**COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES – MINORS, CHILDREN, AND
TEENS – PROHIBITED PRACTICES**

Prohibiting a county public library from charging a fine for overdue library materials borrowed by a minor or intended for children or teens; prohibiting a county public library from charging a reserve fee for library materials reserved by a minor or intended for children or teens; prohibiting a county public library from prohibiting the borrowing of library materials by a minor or the borrowing of library materials intended for children or teens because of previous overdue library materials; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 902 **Delegate Ghrist, et al**

Chapter 209

PREKINDERGARTEN – ULYSSES CURRIE HEAD START PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY FOR STATE FUNDS

Authorizing a provider in the Ulysses Currie Head Start Program to receive certain State funds under certain circumstances; and exempting providers in the Program from certain State requirements for eligible prekindergarten providers.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 370 **Senator Hettleman**

Chapter 210

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – RENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR COMMUNITY SCHOOL FAMILIES PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Rental Assistance for Community School Families Program to provide rental assistance to eligible student households; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with the State Department of Education, to administer the Program; establishing the Rental Assistance for Community School Families Fund; authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation of \$10,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Fund;

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 428 **Delegate Stewart**

Chapter 211

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – RENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR COMMUNITY SCHOOL FAMILIES PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Rental Assistance for Community School Families Program to provide rental assistance to eligible student households; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with the State Department of Education, to administer the Program; establishing the Rental Assistance for Community School Families Fund; authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation of \$10,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 7**
Chapter 212 **Delegate Stewart, et al**
HOUSING INNOVATION PILOT PROGRAM AND HOUSING INNOVATION FUND – ESTABLISHMENT (HOUSING INNOVATION PILOT PROGRAM ACT OF 2024)
- Establishing the Housing Innovation Fund to provide loans for local housing authorities and county governments to develop mixed-income, cross-subsidized housing; establishing the Housing Innovation Pilot Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to assist public housing authorities and county governments in increasing housing production and to reward counties pursuing solutions to the problem of housing scarcity; authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to the Fund in certain fiscal years; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 131**
Chapter 213 **Delegate Stewart, et al**
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS – LOCAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
- Requiring local jurisdictions with at least 150,000 residents to report certain information for each building or development permit application that includes a residential housing component as part of the development to the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Department of Planning on or before July 1 each year; and requiring a local jurisdiction to make a copy of the report publicly available on its website.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 1228**
Chapter 214 **Delegate Stewart**
CONSUMER PROTECTION – TELEPHONE SOLICITATION – EXEMPTIONS AND REMEDIES
- Establishing that certain provisions of law that prohibit a person from making or causing to make a certain telephone solicitation that involves using a certain automated system or playing a recorded message do not apply to a noncommercial telephone solicitation for public opinion research; authorizing a certain called party who is aggrieved by a person who violates certain provisions of law to bring an action to enjoin further violations and to recover certain damages; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL

SB 395

Chapter 215

Senators Augustine and Rosapepe

HIGHER EDUCATION – CREDIT ELIGIBILITY AND TRANSFER OF CREDITS – ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE COURSES (CREDIT FOR ALL LANGUAGE LEARNING (CALL) ACT)

Requiring a public community college to consider a course or program for English as a second language or English language learner as eligible for world language or humanities credit toward an associate's degree under certain circumstances; requiring that certain credits earned by students who transfer from community colleges to public institutions of higher education in the State be transferable; and requiring private nonprofit institutions of higher education in the State to review and consider the transfer of certain credits.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 569

Chapter 216

Delegate Solomon

HIGHER EDUCATION – CREDIT ELIGIBILITY AND TRANSFER OF CREDITS – ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE COURSES (CREDIT FOR ALL LANGUAGE LEARNING (CALL) ACT)

Requiring a public community college to consider a course or program for English as a second language or English language learner as eligible for world language or humanities credit toward an associate's degree if the course is not classified as remedial; requiring the transferability of world language credits earned by students who transfer from community colleges to institutions of higher education; and requiring institutions of higher education to review and consider the transfer of certain credits for language or humanities courses.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1115

Chapter 217

Delegates Solomon and Palakovich Carr

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – BUDGETS – NOTICE (TRANSPARENCY IN EDUCATION SPENDING ACT)

Requiring the State Board of Education to adopt a process for the uniform and timely reporting of certain county board of education budget information to a county governing body; requiring a county board to post certain budget information on the county board's public-facing website, in an easily identifiable location; requiring a certain audit to be sent to the county council or the county commissioners; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1026

Chapter 218

Senator Brooks

**COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – BUDGETS – NOTICE
(TRANSPARENCY IN EDUCATION SPENDING ACT)**

Requiring the State Board of Education to adopt a process for the uniform and timely reporting of certain county board of education budget information to a county governing body; requiring a county board to post certain budget information on the county board’s public-facing website in an easily identifiable location; requiring a certain audit to be sent to the county council or the county commissioners; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 971

Chapter 219

Delegates Grossman and Wims

**WASHINGTON COUNTY – INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS –
STUDENT ELIGIBILITY WAIVER AND SCHOOL
CLASSIFICATION**

Authorizing the Washington County Board of Education to waive a certain eligibility requirement for participation in interscholastic athletics at a certain Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association member school for students who attend certain public high schools; requiring the Washington County Superintendent of Schools to report to the Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association the school enrollment of member schools in grades 9, 10, and 11 as of September 30 of each even-numbered year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 371

Chapter 220

Delegate Grossman

ELECTION LAW – RECOUNTS – PROCEDURES

Requiring a petitioner for a recount to select the method for conducting the recount; limiting the methods from which the selection must be made; and requiring a local board of elections to preserve and store certain voter-verifiable paper records and conduct a recount in a certain manner.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 430

Chapter 221

Senator M. Washington, et al

COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY WORKS GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Community Health and Safety Works Grant Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to support certain eligible projects that improve the quality of life within and economic potential of Maryland communities by making targeted investments in crime prevention strategies to address certain concerns in certain areas; establishing the Community Health and Safety Works Grant Program Fund to provide financial assistance in the form of grants under the provisions of the Program for eligible projects; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 500

Chapter 222

Senator M. Washington

EDUCATION – CHILD CARE CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND – ALTERATIONS

Altering the qualifications for an award from the Child Care Career and Professional Development Fund to include a service obligation to work in an approved child care setting for at least 20 hours per week; requiring the Office of Child Care to prioritize grant awards to certain applicants; requiring award recipients who do not perform the service obligation to repay certain award funding except under certain circumstances; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 899

Chapter 223

Delegate D. Jones, et al

HIGHER EDUCATION – CHARLES W. RILEY FIREFIGHTER AND AMBULANCE AND RESCUE SQUAD MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP – ALTERATIONS

Altering the Charles W. Riley Firefighter and Ambulance and Rescue Squad Member Scholarship to make the scholarship applicable to all programs at institutions of higher education in the State; altering the maximum award available, when a scholarship should be credited, and to whom initial awards should be provided under the scholarship; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 691 **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 224

HIGHER EDUCATION – CHARLES W. RILEY FIREFIGHTER AND AMBULANCE AND RESCUE SQUAD MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP – ALTERATIONS

Altering the Charles W. Riley Firefighter and Ambulance and Rescue Squad Member Scholarship to make the scholarship applicable to all courses at institutions of higher education in the State; and altering the maximum award available, when a scholarship should be credited, and to whom initial awards should be provided under the scholarship.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 139 **Delegate Charkoudian, et al**

Chapter 225

LANDLORD AND TENANT – NOTICE OF UTILITY BILLS IN RESIDENTIAL LEASES – GAS AND ELECTRIC SERVICES

Adding gas and electric utility services to the types of services for which landlords of buildings that contain six or more residential units are required to provide a written notice to a tenant, before the initiation of a lease and each term thereafter, notifying the tenant of the total utility costs billed to the landlord in the immediately preceding year, disaggregated by utility type; and applying certain requirements relating to payment of utility services to landlords of buildings that contain five or fewer residential dwelling units.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 171 **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 226

LANDLORD AND TENANT – NOTICE OF UTILITY BILLS IN RESIDENTIAL LEASES – GAS AND ELECTRIC SERVICES

Adding gas and electric utility services to the types of services for which landlords of buildings that contain six or more units are required to provide a written notice to a tenant, at the initiation of a lease and each term thereafter, providing the total utility costs billed to the landlord in the immediately preceding year for utility services, disaggregated by utility type; and applying certain requirements relating to payment of utility services to landlords of buildings that contain five or fewer residential dwelling units.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 937 **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 227 **GROW YOUR OWN EDUCATORS GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Grow Your Own Educators Grant Program to provide grants to local school systems for employees who pledge to fulfill a certain service obligation as a full-time teacher in the State; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Program and to take certain actions to develop and implement the Program; establishing the eligibility for certain teacher candidates in the Program and requiring teacher candidates to be paid a certain rate and offered certain benefits under the Program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1157 **Delegate Wilkins**

Chapter 228 **GROW YOUR OWN EDUCATORS GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Grow Your Own Educators Grant Program to provide grants to local school systems for employees who pledge to fulfill a certain service obligation as a full-time teacher in the State; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Program and to take certain actions to develop and implement the Program; establishing the eligibility for certain teacher candidates in the Program and requiring teacher candidates to be paid a certain rate and offered certain benefits under the Program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 200 **Delegate Wilkins**

Chapter 229 **COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering certain requirements for community schools and community school coordinators; requiring the Director of Community Schools to create a common needs assessment tool and an evaluation form; requiring a community school coordinator to complete a needs assessment and an evaluation in a certain manner; requiring the State Department of Education to provide feedback on the needs assessment before granting approval; and requiring the coordinator to review and modify the plan implementation periodically.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 161

Chapter 230

Senator A. Washington

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – ALTERATIONS

Altering certain requirements for community schools and community school coordinators; requiring the Director of Community Schools to create a common needs assessment tool and an evaluation form; requiring a community school coordinator to complete an evaluation and a needs assessment in a certain manner; authorizing the State Department of Education to provide comments to community school coordinators on implementation plans; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 76

Chapter 231

Delegate Lopez, et al

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES

Authorizing a pharmacist to order and administer certain vaccinations to individuals in certain age groups if certain requirements are met; altering the vaccinations that a pharmacist can administer to individuals at least 3 years old; and altering the circumstances under which a pharmacist may administer certain vaccinations.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 18

Chapter 232

Senators Augustine and Lam

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES

Authorizing a pharmacist to order and administer certain vaccinations to individuals in certain age groups if certain requirements are met; altering the vaccinations that a pharmacist can administer to individuals who are at least 3 years old; and altering the circumstances under which a pharmacist may administer certain vaccinations.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 684 **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 233

**HEALTH INSURANCE – MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE
USE DISORDER BENEFITS – SUNSET REPEAL AND
MODIFICATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Altering certain reporting requirements on health insurance carriers relating to compliance with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act; altering requirements for certain analyses of nonquantitative treatment limitations required of health insurance carriers; establishing certain remedies the Commissioner may use to enforce compliance with the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act and related reporting requirements; repealing the requirement that a certain form be used for the reporting requirements; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 1074 **Delegate Bagnall, et al**

Chapter 234

**HEALTH INSURANCE – MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE
USE DISORDER BENEFITS – SUNSET REPEAL AND
MODIFICATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Altering certain reporting requirements on health insurance carriers relating to compliance with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act; altering requirements for certain analyses of nonquantitative treatment limitations required of health insurance carriers; establishing certain remedies the Commissioner may use to enforce compliance with the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act and related reporting requirements; repealing the requirement that a certain form be used for the reporting requirements; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 69 **Anne Arundel County Senators**

Chapter 235

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF COMMUNITY
COLLEGE TRUSTEES – MEMBERSHIP ALTERATIONS AND
APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENTS**

Increasing by two members the membership of the Board of Community College Trustees for Anne Arundel County; and requiring the Governor to consider the geographic and ethnic representation of Anne Arundel County when making appointments to the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 327 **Delegate Bagnall**

Chapter 236

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES – MEMBERSHIP ALTERATIONS AND APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENTS

Increasing by two members the membership of the Board of Community College Trustees for Anne Arundel County; and requiring the Governor to consider the geographic and ethnic representation of Anne Arundel County when making appointments to the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 114 **Senators Jackson and Bailey**

Chapter 237

WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE FISCAL AND OPERATIONAL VIABILITY OF PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR CALVERT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Establishing a Workgroup to Study the Fiscal and Operational Viability of Public–Private Partnerships for Calvert County Public Schools; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Calvert County Commissioners, the Calvert County Board of Education, the Interagency Commission on School Construction, and the Calvert County Delegation to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 515 **Delegate J. Long**

Chapter 238

WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE FISCAL AND OPERATIONAL VIABILITY OF PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR CALVERT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Establishing a Workgroup to Study the Fiscal and Operational Viability of Public–Private Partnerships for Calvert County Public Schools; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Calvert County Commissioners, the Calvert County Board of Education, the Interagency Commission on School Construction, and the Calvert County Delegation on or before December 31, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

[HB 1281](#)

Chapter 239

Delegate Hartman, et al

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – TOURISM ZONES –
DESIGNATION AND BENEFITS

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipality to designate, by law, an area within that political subdivision as a tourism zone under certain circumstances; providing that the designation of an area as a tourism zone may not preclude the area from also being designated as an arts and entertainment district; authorizing a county or municipality to exempt from the admissions and amusement tax gross receipts from certain admissions or amusement charges levied in a tourism zone; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

[SB 14](#)

Chapter 240

Senator Jackson

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – TOURISM ZONES –
DESIGNATION AND BENEFITS

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipality to designate, by law, an area within that political subdivision as a tourism zone under certain circumstances; providing that the designation of an area as a tourism zone may not preclude the area from being designated as an arts and entertainment district; authorizing a county or municipality to exempt from the admissions and amusement tax gross receipts from certain admissions or amusement charges levied in a tourism zone; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

[HB 253](#)

Chapter 241

Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Maryland Cannabis Administration)

CANNABIS REFORM – ALTERATIONS

Making alterations and clarifications related to the duties of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission, the Office of Social Equity, the Advisory Board on Medical and Adult–Use Cannabis, and the Maryland Cannabis Administration; altering the membership of the Commission; requiring the Advisory Board to elect a chair and removing the Director of the Administration as chair; authorizing processors to provide cannabis to cannabis licensees; providing that certain violations may be charged by a citation; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 272 **Delegate Grammer**

Chapter 242

CANNABIS LICENSING AND REGISTRATION – USE OF STRAW OWNERSHIP – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person from applying for or holding a cannabis license or registration under certain circumstances if an ownership interest in the license or registration is for the limited purpose of satisfying certain requirements of registration or licensure; and requiring the Maryland Cannabis Administration to deny a certain application or revoke a cannabis license or registration if the applicant, licensee, or registrant is determined by the Administration to be in violation of the Act or convicted of a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 137 **Delegate Grammer**

Chapter 243

CIVIL ACTIONS – CIVIL IMMUNITY – EDUCATOR INTERVENTION

Providing that a member of the administrative, educational, or support staff of any public, private, or parochial school, acting in an official capacity, is not civilly liable for personal injury or property damage resulting from intervention in a student altercation or other student disturbance if the staff member intervened in a reasonably prudent manner and the actions taken do not constitute grossly negligent, willful, wanton, or intentionally tortious conduct.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 805 **Delegate Wilson**

Chapter 244

CANNABIS – LICENSEE LOCATIONS – RESTRICTIONS

Altering the distance restrictions from 2000 feet to one-half mile applicable to a licensed cannabis dispensary; prohibiting a political subdivision from establishing certain zoning requirements that are more restrictive than certain zoning requirements that existed on June 30, 2023; authorizing at least 10 individuals who are residents, commercial tenants who are not holders of or applicants for a license, or real estate owners, and are located within 1,000 of the licensed premises to file a protest against a license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

- HB 702** **Delegate Wilson**
Chapter 245 WAGE AND HOUR LAW – MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS – EXEMPTION
- Exempting minor league baseball players who are compensated under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement that expressly provides for the wages and working conditions of employees from the Maryland Wage and Hour Law.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 466** **Senator Beidle**
Chapter 246 WAGE AND HOUR LAW – MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS – EXEMPTION
- Exempting minor league baseball players who are compensated under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement that expressly provides for the wages and working conditions of employees from the Maryland Wage and Hour Law.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 701** **Senator Beidle**
Chapter 247 MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE–BASED YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM – AMOUNT OF ANNUAL SUBSIDIES
- Altering the amount of funds in each of calendar years 2024 and 2025, the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange is authorized to designate for annual subsidies under the State–Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program to include unspent funds designated for subsidies for young adults in a previous calendar year.
EMERGENCY BILL
- HB 953** **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**
Chapter 248 MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE–BASED YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM – AMOUNT OF ANNUAL SUBSIDIES
- Altering the amount of funds the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange is authorized to designate for annual subsidies under the State–Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program for certain fiscal years to include unspent funds designated for subsidies for young adults in a previous calendar year.
EMERGENCY BILL

- HB 1230** **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**
Chapter 249 PUBLIC HEALTH – TIANEPTINE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT
- Prohibiting a retailer from distributing, selling, exposing for sale, or advertising for sale a tianeptine product to an individual; and establishing a penalty for a retailer who violates the Act of a fine of up to \$5,000 or imprisonment for up to 90 days or both.
EMERGENCY BILL
- HB 545** **Delegate Mireku–North**
Chapter 250 JANET L. HOFFMAN LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – NANCY GRASMICK PUBLIC SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL AWARD – PUBLIC SCHOOL NURSES
- Expanding the Nancy Grasmick Public School Professional Award within the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include public school nurses who are licensed as registered nurses, provide health services in public schools, and are employed by a county school system or a local health department to provide health services through an agreement with a county board.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 441** **Senator Beidle**
Chapter 251 JANET L. HOFFMAN LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – NANCY GRASMICK PUBLIC SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL AWARD – SCHOOL NURSES
- Expanding the Nancy Grasmick Public School Professional Award within the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include school nurses who are licensed as registered nurses, provide health services in public schools, and are employed by a county school system or a local health department to provide health services through an agreement with a county board.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 309 **Delegate Healey, et al**
Chapter 256 **COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS – DISPUTE SETTLEMENT**

Altering procedures for the dispute settlement mechanism under the Maryland Cooperative Housing Corporation Act; applying the dispute settlement mechanism established by the Act to apply to any complaint or demand formally arising on or after October 1, 2023, with a certain exception; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 76 **Senators Lam and Hettleman**
Chapter 257 **CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES – TRANSPARENCY, GRIEVANCES, AND UNIT REOCCUPANCY**

Requiring a provider to post the provider’s most recent disclosure statement on the provider’s website; altering the number of times providers are required to hold a meeting open to all of the provider’s subscribers each year; requiring an authorized officer of a provider to provide a summary of certain grievance information at certain meetings; requiring the Department of Aging to collect certain information about internal grievances; requiring a provider to submit certain reports to a subscriber under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 68 **Delegate Stein, et al**
Chapter 258 **CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES – TRANSPARENCY, GRIEVANCES, AND UNIT REOCCUPANCY**

Requiring a provider to post the provider’s most recent disclosure statement on the provider’s website; increasing from yearly to quarterly the number of times a provider is required to hold a meeting open to all the provider’s subscribers; requiring at the last quarterly meeting of the year an officer of the provider to give an aggregated, deidentified summary of internal grievances; requiring a provider to submit a written report to a subscriber or a beneficiary if the subscriber’s unit has not been reoccupied within 9 months; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1047

Chapter 262

Delegate Bartlett, et al

CONSUMER PROTECTION – SELF-ADMINISTERED SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS

Providing that a party in a criminal trial involving an allegation of sexually assaultive behavior may not introduce information that physical evidence of sexually assaultive behavior was obtained using certain materials; providing that selling, offering for sale, or distributing a certain self-administered sexual assault evidence collection kit is an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice; establishing the Forensic Nurse Examiner Training Grant Program and the Forensic Nurse Examiner Training Grant Program Fund; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL

SB 205

Chapter 263

Senator Hayes

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – BOARD OF REGENTS – MEMBERSHIP

Requiring that certain appointing officials in making appointments to the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland ensure that one member of the Board is a graduate of a historically Black college or university in the University System of Maryland; and applying the Act only after the next vacancy occurs on the Board of Regents after July 1, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 534

Chapter 264

Delegate Ruff, et al

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – LIVE NEAR YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM – EXTENSION

Extending the termination date for the Live Near Your School program and a related homebuyer program from September 30, 2024, to September 30, 2030.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 90

Chapter 265

Senator Hayes

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – LIVE NEAR YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM – EXTENSION

Extending the termination date for the Live Near Your School program and a related homebuyer program from September 30, 2024, to September 30, 2030.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 485

Senator Hayes

Chapter 266

**FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM –
MODIFICATIONS**

Modifying provisions of law governing application, administration, and enforcement of the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program, including provisions related to the payment of contributions, the calculation of the average weekly wage, the submission of claims for benefits, the application of the Program to self-employed individuals, the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund, the satisfaction of Program requirements through private employer plans or insurance, and the use of contributions or other funding by the Secretary of Labor.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 571

Delegate Qi, et al

Chapter 267

**FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM –
MODIFICATIONS**

Modifying provisions of law governing application, administration, and enforcement of the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program, including provisions related to the payment of contributions, the calculation of the average weekly wage, the submission of claims for benefits, the application of the Program to self-employed individuals, the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund, the satisfaction of Program requirements through private employer plans or insurance, and the use of contributions or other funding.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 159

Chapter 268

Delegate Korman, et al

COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT (ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT ACT OF 2024)

Altering certain requirements for procedures relating to electric vehicle recharging equipment; establishing requirements and procedures relating to an application to the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation to install or use electric vehicle recharging equipment; and requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to publish information on its common ownership community website regarding requirements, contractor information, certain points of contact, and resources on dispute resolutions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 465

Chapter 269

Senator Kelly

COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT (ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT ACT OF 2024)

Altering certain requirements for procedures relating to electric vehicle recharging equipment; establishing requirements and procedures relating to an application to the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation to install or use electric vehicle recharging equipment; and requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to publish information on its common ownership community website regarding certain requirements, contractor and insurer information, points of contact, and dispute resolution resources.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 475 **Delegate Korman, et al**

Chapter 270

EDUCATION – OPEN–SOURCE PHONICS MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT (OPEN–SOURCE PHONICS MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM ACT)

Establishing the Open–Source Phonics Matching Grant Program within the State Department of Education to provide free, open–source phonics learning materials to be used by adults to tutor students; requiring the Department to periodically review the open–source phonics learning materials to ensure the materials are consistent with best practices in literacy education, including the science of reading; and requiring the Governor each fiscal year to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$150,000 to the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 649 **Delegate White Holland, et al**

Chapter 271

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK – WAGE RANGE TRANSPARENCY

Altering the requirement that an employer disclose certain wage information to an applicant for employment; requiring an employer to disclose certain wage information in certain postings and to certain employees at certain times; requiring an employer to set the wage range disclosed in good faith; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to develop and make available to employers a form that an employer may use to comply with certain wage disclosure requirements; prohibiting certain retaliatory action by an employer; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 525

Senators Kelly and Gile

Chapter 272

**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK
– WAGE RANGE TRANSPARENCY**

Altering the requirement that an employer disclose certain wage information to an applicant for employment; requiring an employer to disclose certain wage information in certain postings and to certain employees at certain times; requiring an employer to set the wage range disclosed in good faith; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to develop and make available to employers a form that an employer may use to comply with certain wage disclosure requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1195

Delegate Palakovich Carr

Chapter 273

**CHILD CARE PROVIDERS – ANAPHYLACTIC FOOD ALLERGIES
– GUIDELINES AND INDEMNITY (ELIJAH’S LAW)**

Requiring the State Department of Education and Maryland Department of Health to develop guidelines to reduce the risk of exposure to anaphylactic major food allergens in child care settings; requiring the State Department of Education to create a certain model policy; requiring certain large family child care homes and child care centers to adopt a policy to reduce the risk of exposure to anaphylactic major food allergens; and providing that certain child care providers and employees are immune from civil liability.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 291

Delegate Palakovich Carr

Chapter 274

**COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – BID ADVERTISEMENT
THRESHOLD AND ELECTRONIC POSTING OF HEARING
NOTICES AND BID ADVERTISEMENTS**

Requiring county boards of education to post on the websites of certain local school systems hearing notices related to preliminary approval of a school site and advertisements for bids for school buildings, improvements, supplies, or equipment that exceed \$100,000; increasing, from \$25,000 to \$100,000, the threshold amount of costs of school buildings, improvements, supplies, or equipment that trigger the requirement for county boards to advertise for bids; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 170 **Senator Gallion**

Chapter 275

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – BID ADVERTISEMENT THRESHOLD AND ELECTRONIC POSTING OF HEARING NOTICES AND BID ADVERTISEMENTS

Requiring county boards of education to post certain hearing notices and bid advertisements on the websites of certain local school systems; increasing the threshold amount of costs of school buildings, improvements, supplies, and equipment that require county boards to advertise for bids from \$25,000 to \$100,000; and updating the reference to the State’s centralized procurement platform on which county boards may advertise for bids for school buildings, improvements, supplies, or equipment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 737 **Harford County Senators**

Chapter 276

HIGHER EDUCATION – HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – ALTERATIONS

Requiring that a member of the Harford Community College Board of Trustees be a resident of Harford County for the duration of the member’s term; altering the membership of the Harford Community College Board of Trustees so that all members are at large; requiring the Governor to consider certain factors when appointing members to the Board; and altering meeting requirements so that the Harford Community College Board of Trustees and the Harford County Board of Education are no longer required to attend certain meetings.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 2

Chapter 277

Delegate Boyce, et al

PROPERTY TAXES – AUTHORITY OF COUNTIES TO ESTABLISH A SUBCLASS AND SET A SPECIAL RATE FOR VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to establish, by law, a subclass of real property consisting of vacant lots or improved property cited as vacant and unfit for habitation or other authorized use on a certain violation notice and to set a special property tax rate for certain vacant and abandoned property; requiring the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county that enacts a special tax rate to submit a certain report by December 1 each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 506

Chapter 278

Delegates Boyce and Embry

SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION TRAINING – MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY AND ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND – TRAINING FORMAT

Providing that a certain required sexual harassment prevention training for employees of Morgan State University and St. Mary's College of Maryland may consist of webinar, computer-based, or online training if the training includes a certain evaluative component.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 180

Chapter 279

Senator Hester

PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – BRONCHODILATORS – USE, AVAILABILITY, TRAINING, AND POLICIES

Requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with certain groups, to develop training for certain school personnel to identify symptoms of anaphylaxis, asthma, and respiratory distress in students; requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with county boards, and authorizing nonpublic schools to establish a policy to obtain, administer, and train school personnel to administer in emergency situations bronchodilators to a student who is determined to be, or is perceived to be, experiencing certain symptoms; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 86

Chapter 280

Delegate Boyce, et al

**PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – BRONCHODILATORS –
USE, AVAILABILITY, TRAINING, AND POLICIES**

Requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with certain groups, to develop training for certain school personnel to identify symptoms of anaphylaxis, asthma, and respiratory distress in students; requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with county boards, and authorizing nonpublic schools to establish a policy to obtain, administer, and train certain school personnel to administer emergency bronchodilators to a student who is determined to be, or is perceived to be, experiencing asthma–related symptoms; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 33

Chapter 281

Senator Rosapepe, et al

**MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CAREER–FOCUSED STUDENTS
ACT OF 2024**

Requiring each public high school to inform students of certain employment and skills training opportunities in the same manner the school informs students of postsecondary educational options; requiring, when informing certain students about certain career opportunities, each public high school to highlight opportunities in high–skilled careers that do not require completion of a college degree and are in high demand; and requiring a county board to assist public high schools in completing the requirements of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 669

Chapter 282

Delegate Pruski

WORKERS’ COMPENSATION – BENEFITS – HEARING LOSS

Altering the frequencies in which industrial noise must be for an employer to be required to provide workers’ compensation to a covered employee for hearing loss; altering the method used to determine the percentage of hearing loss deafness for purposes of workers’ compensation; and altering the method used to determine the deduction required to be made to allow for the average amount of hearing loss from nonoccupational causes in the population for purposes of calculating workers’ compensation benefits for occupational deafness.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 843

Chapter 283

Senator Klausmeier

WORKERS' COMPENSATION – BENEFITS – HEARING LOSS

Altering the frequencies in which industrial noise must be for an employer to be required to provide workers' compensation to a covered employee for hearing loss; altering the method used to determine the percentage of hearing loss deafness for purposes of workers' compensation; and altering the method used to determine the deduction required to be made to allow for the average amount of hearing loss from nonoccupational causes in the population for purposes of calculating workers' compensation benefits for occupational deafness.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 846

Chapter 284

Senator Klausmeier

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – STUDY ON ACTIVELY SEEKING WORK REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, on or before December 1, 2024, to conduct a study on the actively seeking work requirement of the unemployment insurance system in the State and other states to evaluate the effects of ghosting on actively seeking work requirements and report on the study to the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 998

Chapter 285

Delegates Adams and Fisher

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – STUDY ON ACTIVELY SEEKING WORK REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, on or before December 1, 2024, to conduct a study on the actively seeking work requirement of the unemployment insurance system in the State and other states to evaluate the effects of ghosting on actively seeking work requirements and report on the study to the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 757**
Chapter 286 **Delegate R. Lewis, et al**
STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – SUPERVISED MEDICAL GRADUATES AND CARDIOVASCULAR INVASIVE SPECIALISTS (BRIDGE TO MEDICAL RESIDENCY ACT)
Authorizing a supervised medical graduate to provide delegated duties under direct supervision in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board of Physicians; prohibiting an individual from practicing as a supervised medical graduate for more than 2 years; and repealing the termination of certain provisions of law relating to delegation of duties by licensed physicians to cardiovascular invasive specialists.
EMERGENCY BILL
- HB 13**
Chapter 287 **Delegate R. Lewis**
RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND TRUSTS – AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH CONDOMINIUM REGIMES
Authorizing a condominium regime to be established on certain land owned by an affordable housing land trust.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 199**
Chapter 288 **Senator Waldstreicher**
RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND TRUSTS – AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH CONDOMINIUM REGIMES
Authorizing a condominium regime to be established on certain land owned by an affordable housing land trust.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 162

Chapter 289

Senator Waldstreicher

LANDLORD AND TENANT – TERMINATION OF RESIDENTIAL LEASE – LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR RENT

Limiting a tenant's liability for rent under a residential lease to not more than 2 months' rent after the date on which the tenant vacates a leased premises if a physician or psychologist completes a form specifying that the tenant has a mental disorder that causes the continued habitation of the leased premises to be unfeasible or unsustainable and requires the tenant to move to a home, facility, or institution to obtain a higher level of care than can be provided at the leased premises and the tenant vacates the leased premises.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 93

Chapter 290

Delegate Mireku-North, et al

LANDLORD AND TENANT – TERMINATION OF RESIDENTIAL LEASE – LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR RENT

Limiting a tenant's liability for rent to not more than 2 months' rent after the date on which the tenant vacates a leased premises if a physician or psychologist completes a form specifying that the tenant has a mental disorder, the management of which is substantially limited by the leased premises.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 46

Chapter 291

Senator Waldstreicher

CONDOMINIUMS – SALES CONTRACTS – ASBESTOS DISCLOSURE

Establishing the unenforceability of contracts for the sale of condominium units that do not contain a statement by the vendor or the unit owner as to whether the vendor or owner has actual knowledge of the presence of asbestos in the condominium, including a description of the location of the asbestos, whether abatement has been performed in the condominium, and the date of any abatement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 143 **Delegate Foley, et al**
Chapter 292 CONDOMINIUMS – SALES CONTRACTS – ASBESTOS
DISCLOSURE

Establishing the unenforceability of contracts for the sale of condominium units that do not contain a statement by the vendor or unit owner as to whether the vendor or unit owner has actual knowledge of the presence of asbestos in the condominium, including a description of the location of the asbestos, whether abatement has been performed, and the date of any abatement.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1167 **Delegate Foley, et al**
Chapter 293 MARYLAND CENTER FOR SCHOOL SAFETY – SECURE
SCHOOLS EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM –
ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Secure Schools Emergency Response Grant Program to be administered by the Maryland Center for School Safety to provide funds to improve emergency notification systems and communications between public elementary and secondary school personnel, a public safety answering point, and a public safety agency during emergency events; requiring the Center to ensure that the Program is operating and available to each county board by September 1, 2026; and authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 372 **Delegates Harris and Stewart**
Chapter 294 MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY –
RENT COURT WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS PILOT PROGRAM

Establishing the Rent Court Workforce Solutions Pilot Program in Montgomery County and Prince George’s County to provide residential tenants who are facing eviction for a failure to pay rent with information on workforce development and employment opportunities; and requiring by January 1, 2026 and each January 1 thereafter, a designated organization to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the number of individuals that were connected to workforce development programs or employment opportunities through the Program.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 354 **Senators Waldstreicher and Jackson**

Chapter 295

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY –
RENT COURT WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Rent Court Workforce Solutions Pilot Program in Montgomery County and Prince George’s County to provide defendant tenants in failure to pay rent cases with workforce resources and information on workforce development, registered apprenticeships, and other employment opportunities; and requiring, by January 1, 2026, and each January 1 thereafter, a designated organization to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the number of individuals that were connected to certain opportunities through the Program.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 1227 **Delegates Holmes and Arentz**

Chapter 296

**CONDOMINIUMS – MANDATORY INSURANCE COVERAGE –
DETACHED UNITS**

Altering the types of elements and units for which a council of unit owners is required to maintain certain property insurance; requiring the council of unit owners to annually notify, in writing, owners of detached units of certain property insurance obligations; limiting instances when an owner of a detached unit within a condominium is required to carry homeowners insurance on the entirety of the unit; and authorizing a council of unit owners to carry homeowners insurance on the entirety of all units located within a certain condominium.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 446 **Senator Muse**

Chapter 297

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CONDOMINIUM AND HOMEOWNERS
ASSOCIATIONS – REPAIR AND REHABILITATION FUNDS**

Authorizing a county or a municipality to establish a certain fund for the purpose of providing support for the repair of infrastructure in a community subject to a condominium association or a homeowners association; and requiring that certain property tax revenues be assigned to a fund created under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 280**
Chapter 298 **Delegate Holmes**
LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CONDOMINIUM AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – REPAIR AND REHABILITATION FUNDS
- Authorizing a county or a municipality to establish a certain fund for the purpose of providing support for the repair of infrastructure in a community subject to a condominium association or a homeowners association; and requiring that certain property tax revenues be assigned to a fund created under the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 539**
Chapter 299 **Delegate Henson, et al**
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – STUDENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY – REIMBURSEMENT OF TUITION AND FEES (CAMERON CARDEN ACT OF 2024)
- Requiring each public institution of higher education to adopt a policy to authorize a student to withdraw from the institution under extenuating circumstances and to refund the student for tuition and fees paid by the student for a certain semester under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 567**
Chapter 300 **Senator Muse, et al**
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – STUDENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY – REIMBURSEMENT OF TUITION AND FEES (CAMERON CARDEN ACT OF 2024)
- Requiring each public institution of higher education to adopt a policy to authorize a student to withdraw from the institution under extenuating circumstances and to refund the student for tuition and fees paid by the student for a certain semester under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 285**
Chapter 301 **Delegate Holmes, et al**
TASK FORCE ON PROPERTY APPRAISAL AND VALUATION EQUITY – ALTERATIONS
Moving from October 31, 2023, to October 31, 2024, the deadline for the reporting requirement for the Task Force on Property Appraisal and Valuation Equity; and extending from June 30, 2024, to December 31, 2024, the termination date for the Task Force.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- SB 518**
Chapter 302 **Senator A. Washington**
TASK FORCE ON PROPERTY APPRAISAL AND VALUATION EQUITY – ALTERATIONS
Moving from October 31, 2023, to October 31, 2024, the deadline for the reporting requirement for the Task Force on Property Appraisal and Valuation Equity; and extending from June 30, 2024, to December 31, 2024, the termination date for the Task Force.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- HB 821**
Chapter 303 **Prince George’s County Delegation**
PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – STUDENT SUPPORT – SPECIALIST NETWORKS AND SUCCESS ACTION PLANS (STUDENT SUPPORTS AND SUCCESS ACT) PG 502–24
Establishing a Student Support Specialist Network consisting of certain school–based personnel at each public high school in Prince George’s County; requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to develop a certain template using certain guidelines by December 31, 2024; and requiring each Student Support Specialist Network in the county to develop, complete, and implement a certain plan, subject to review and approval by the Prince George’s County Board of Education.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 654

Chapter 304

Senator A. Washington

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – STUDENT SUPPORT AND SCHOOL FACILITIES AND PUBLIC SAFETY SURCHARGES AND REPORT – SUNSET EXTENSION

Establishing a Student Support Specialist Network consisting of certain school-based personnel at each public high school in Prince George's County; requiring the County Board of Education to develop a certain template using certain guidelines on or before December 31, 2024; altering the reporting date for the County to report to the County Council, the County School Board, and the County delegation to the General Assembly on the impact of the school facilities surcharge and the public safety surcharge to December 1, 2026; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 38

Chapter 305

Senator A. Washington

WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION – PAY STUBS AND PAY STATEMENTS – REQUIRED INFORMATION

Requiring that a notice of the pay rate, regular paydays, and leave benefits provided to an employee at the time of hiring be written; requiring that the statement regarding earnings required to be provided to employees by employers be written on the physical pay stub or online pay statement and include certain information; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to create and make available to an employer at no charge a pay stub template that may be used by an employer to meet the requirements of the Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 385

Chapter 306

Delegate J. Long, et al

WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION – PAY STUBS AND PAY STATEMENTS – REQUIRED INFORMATION

Requiring that a notice containing certain information provided to an employee at the time of hiring be written; requiring that the statement regarding earnings required to be provided to employees by employers be written on the physical pay stub or online pay statement and include certain information; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to create and make available to an employer at no charge a pay stub template that may be used by an employer to comply with the Act; and establishing a certain administrative penalty.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 511 **Senator A. Washington**

Chapter 307

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – REPORT ON
APPRENTICESHIP MENTORING RATIOS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a report, or or before October 1, 2024, to the General Assembly that analyzes the apprenticeship mentoring ratio for all nontraditional apprenticeable occupations in the State, with recommendations on strategies to streamline the expansion of apprenticeship ratios for all newly registered nontraditional apprenticeship occupations for purposes of meeting the goals of the Apprenticeship 2030 Commission.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 650 **Delegate Boafó**

Chapter 308

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – REPORT ON
APPRENTICESHIP MENTORING RATIOS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a report to the General Assembly that analyzes the apprenticeship mentoring ratio for all nontraditional apprenticeable occupations in the State; and requiring the Department to submit the report to the General Assembly by October 1, 2024, with recommendations for strategies to streamline the expansion of apprenticeship ratios for all newly registered nontraditional apprenticeship occupations for purposes of meeting the goals of the Apprenticeship 2030 Commission.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 465 **Delegate Boafó, et al**

Chapter 309

**WORKPLACE FRAUD AND PREVAILING WAGE – VIOLATIONS
– CIVIL PENALTY AND REFERRALS**

Increasing, from \$5,000 to \$10,000, the maximum civil penalty for the knowing failure of an employer to properly classify an individual as an employee; and requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, on a showing by clear and convincing evidence that a violation has occurred, to refer to the Comptroller, certain State’s Attorneys, the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Labor, and the U.S. Department of the Treasury complaints that allege a violation of certain tax laws.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 720 **Carroll County Delegation**

Chapter 310 CARROLL COUNTY – DEPUTY CLERK OR DEPUTY SHERIFF –
OATH OF OFFICE

Requiring that every deputy clerk or deputy sheriff in Carroll County take and sign the oath or affirmation prescribed by the Maryland Constitution.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 1108 **Carroll County Senators**

Chapter 311 CARROLL COUNTY – DEPUTY CLERK OR DEPUTY SHERIFF –
OATH OF OFFICE

Requiring that every deputy clerk or deputy sheriff in Carroll County take and sign the oath or affirmation prescribed by the Maryland Constitution.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 498 **Delegate Cardin**

Chapter 312 REAL PROPERTY – ACCESS TO COUNSEL IN EVICTIONS
PROGRAM – MANDATED REPORTS

Altering the information relating to the Access to Counsel in Evictions Program required to be reported by the Maryland Legal Services Corporation each year to include disaggregation by case type, the amount paid to attorneys for each case managed, the geographic distribution of cases, the disposition of cases decided, the amount of State and federal funds allocated to each designated organization, and the number of individuals provided legal representation for multiple cases.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- SB 147** **Senator West**
Chapter 313 **REAL PROPERTY – ACCESS TO COUNSEL IN EVICTIONS PROGRAM – MANDATED REPORTS**
- Altering the information relating to the Access to Counsel in Eviction Program required to be reported by the Maryland Legal Services Corporation each year to include the number of cases in which an individual was provided legal representation, the amount paid to attorneys for each case managed, the geographic distribution of cases, the disposition of cases decided, the amount of certain funds allocated to each designated organization, and the number of individuals provided legal representation for multiple cases.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 75** **Senator West**
Chapter 314 **MARYLAND UNIFORM TRANSFERS TO MINORS ACT – TRANSFERS AS CUSTODIAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF A MINOR – AUTHORIZATION OF COURT**
- Increasing, from in excess of \$10,000 to in excess of \$25,000, the threshold amount for certain transfers by a personal representative, trustee, or conservator as a custodian for the benefit of a minor to require authorization by a court.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 324** **Delegate Cardin**
Chapter 315 **MARYLAND UNIFORM TRANSFERS TO MINORS ACT – TRANSFERS AS CUSTODIAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF A MINOR – AUTHORIZATION OF COURT**
- Increasing, from in excess of \$10,000 to in excess of \$25,000, the threshold amount for certain transfers by a personal representative, trustee, or conservator as a custodian for the benefit of a minor to require authorization by a court.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 325** **Delegate Cardin**
Chapter 316 **ESTATES AND TRUSTS – INTERESTED PERSON – DEFINITION**
- Altering the definition of “interested person” for purposes of provisions of law governing the estates of decedents, guardians of persons and property, trusts, and powers of attorney.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 164 **Senator West**
Chapter 317 ESTATES AND TRUSTS – INTERESTED PERSON – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of “interested person” for purposes of provisions of law governing the estates of decedents, guardians of persons and property, trusts, and powers of attorney.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 80 **Senator West**
Chapter 318 ESTATES AND TRUSTS – APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE – OBJECTIONS

Authorizing only an interested person or unpaid claimant, rather than any person, to file an objection to the appointment of a personal representative of an estate of a decedent.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 326 **Delegate Cardin**
Chapter 319 ESTATES AND TRUSTS – APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE – OBJECTIONS

Authorizing only an interested person or unpaid claimant, rather than any person, to file an objection to the appointment of a personal representative of an estate of a decedent.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 1042 **Senator Gile**
Chapter 320 EDUCATION – ARMED SERVICES VOCATIONAL APTITUDE BATTERY – STUDENT INFORMATION

Requiring public schools in the State to notify students taking the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) and parents or guardians of students taking the ASVAB of the option to prohibit the release of a student’s ASVAB test scores to military recruiters; and repealing the requirement that certain schools provide certain notice to certain individuals regarding the release of student information and ASVAB test scores.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1362 **Delegate Valderrama, et al**
Chapter 326 STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGISTS – MEMBERSHIP –
ALTERATION

Altering the membership of the State Board of Cosmetologists by adding one licensed esthetician and decreasing the number of consumer members from two to one.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 629 **Senator Gile**
Chapter 327 STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGISTS – MEMBERSHIP –
ALTERATION

Altering the membership of the State Board of Cosmetologists by adding one licensed esthetician and decreasing the number of consumer members from two to one.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 383 **Delegates Smith and Shetty**
Chapter 328 COSMETOLOGY LICENSURE COMPACT

Entering into the Cosmetology Licensure Compact; establishing criteria for participating states; authorizing an individual practicing cosmetology to practice in a party state under certain circumstances; establishing the Cosmetology Licensure Compact Commission and its duties and powers; and providing for the amendment of and withdrawal from the Compact.
CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 27 **Senator Gile, et al**
Chapter 329 COSMETOLOGY LICENSURE COMPACT

Entering into the Cosmetology Licensure Compact; establishing criteria for participating states; authorizing an individual practicing cosmetology to practice in a party state under certain circumstances; establishing the Cosmetology Licensure Compact Commission and its duties and powers; and providing for the amendment of and withdrawal from the Compact.
CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- SB 564** **Senator Watson, et al**
Chapter 330 **REAL ESTATE BROKERS – LICENSING – LICENSE RENEWALS
AND CONTINUING EDUCATION**
- Repealing certain processes regarding the expiration of certain licenses for real estate brokers, associate real estate brokers, and real estate salespersons; requiring that certain licenses expire on a staggered basis; modifying and setting certain time frames for certain processes regarding the expiration of certain licenses; authorizing the State Real Estate Commission to set a certain fee under certain circumstances; altering certain regulatory requirements for conducting certain continuing education courses; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 709** **Delegates Rogers and Schmidt**
Chapter 331 **LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKERS – BRANCH OFFICES –
DESIGNATION OF MANAGERS**
- Authorizing a licensed real estate broker to designate himself or herself as the manager of a branch office maintained by the licensed real estate broker.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 462** **Senator Watson**
Chapter 332 **LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKERS – BRANCH OFFICES –
DESIGNATION OF MANAGERS**
- Authorizing a licensed real estate broker to designate himself or herself as the manager of a branch office maintained by the licensed real estate broker.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 520** **Delegate A. Johnson**
Chapter 333 **STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION – COMPLAINTS –
ADVERTISING VIOLATIONS**
- Providing that a complaint filed with the State Real Estate Commission alleging an advertising violation may be made anonymously but must be accompanied by documentary or other evidence.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 461 **Senator Watson**

Chapter 334 STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION – COMPLAINTS –
ADVERTISING VIOLATIONS

Providing that a complaint filed with the State Real Estate Commission alleging an advertising violation may be made anonymously but must be accompanied by documentary or other evidence.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1334 **Delegate Smith**

Chapter 335 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – CONTINUING
THE CORE PARTNERSHIP FUND – EXTENSION

Repealing the termination of the Continuing the CORE Partnership Fund; and requiring the Governor to include an appropriation in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter of \$50,000,000 to the Fund.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 1082 **Delegates Smith and Toles**

Chapter 336 BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND’S FUTURE IMPLEMENTATION –
FUNDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION COORDINATORS

Requiring for each fiscal year each county board of education to provide \$150,000 for the salary and benefits of the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future implementation coordinator in the county; and requiring the implementation coordinator’s salary and benefits to be paid for by the State and the county in a certain proportion.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 367 **Delegate Smith, et al**
Chapter 337 **COMMUNITY COLLEGES – CONTRACEPTION – ACCESS
REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring on or before certain dates each community college to develop and implement a plan to provide students with access to over-the-counter contraception; requiring each community college to submit a certain report to the Maryland Higher Education Commission by September 1 each year; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before October 1 each year; and authorizing the Maryland Department of Health, on request, to provide certain assistance to a community college.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 527 **Senators Kelly and Kagan**
Chapter 338 **COMMUNITY COLLEGES – CONTRACEPTION – ACCESS
REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring, on or before August 1, 2025, each community college to develop and implement a plan to provide students with access to over-the-counter contraception; requiring each community college to submit a certain report to the Maryland Higher Education Commission on or before September 1 each year; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before October 1 each year; and authorizing the Maryland Department of Health, on request, to provide certain assistance to a community college.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 424 **Montgomery County Delegation**
Chapter 339 **MONTGOMERY COUNTY – HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES
COMMISSION – ALTERATIONS MC 3–24**

Repealing the requirement that the Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County hold public hearings on assisted family housing proposals; and repealing the requirement that the Montgomery Commission publish a summary of the Montgomery Commission’s annual financial report in certain newspapers.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 875

Senator Kelly

Chapter 340

**MIRIAM KELTY AGING AND SENIOR SOCIAL CONNECTION
HUB AND SPOKE PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Miriam Kelty Aging and Senior Social Connection Hub and Spoke Pilot Program in the Maryland Department of Aging; establishing the purpose and the goals of the Pilot Program are to support the “village” concept of local, volunteer–led organizations that aim to provide certain services to community members who choose to age in place and to expand those services to more residents in the geographic region; and requiring the Montgomery County Village Consortium to establish a certain plan and submit certain reports.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1103

Delegate Wolek, et al

Chapter 341

**MIRIAM KELTY AGING AND SENIOR SOCIAL CONNECTION
HUB AND SPOKE PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Miriam Kelty Aging and Senior Social Connection Hub and Spoke Pilot Program in the Maryland Department of Aging; establishing that the purpose and the goals of the Pilot Program are to support the “village” concept of local, volunteer–led organizations that aim to provide certain services to community members who choose to age in place and to expand those services to more residents in the geographic region; and requiring the Montgomery County Village Consortium to establish a certain plan and submit certain reports.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 811** **Delegate Wolek, et al**
Chapter 342 HIGHER EDUCATION – FINANCIAL WELL-BEING PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT
- Establishing the Financial Well-Being Pilot Program at the University of Maryland, College Park Campus and Morgan State University to provide comprehensive financial guidance and coaching to help students who may benefit from financial coaching services; requiring by August 1, 2024, each participating institution to hire one full-time financial well-being coach; requiring each financial well-being coach to create a document with best practices and guidance for other institutions to use to create a financial well-being program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 665** **Senator Charles**
Chapter 343 MARYLAND CONDOMINIUM ACT – AMENDMENTS TO THE DECLARATION
- Reducing the percentage of unit owners listed on the current roster of a condominium needed to consent to an amendment of a condominium’s declaration if none of the units of the condominium are owned by a developer of the condominium from 80% to 66 2/3%.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 666** **Senator Charles**
Chapter 344 MARYLAND COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS – MONETARY RELIEF
- Altering certain maximum amounts of monetary relief the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights is authorized to award if the Commission finds that a respondent has engaged in a discriminatory act under provisions of law regarding public accommodations and persons licensed or regulated by the Maryland Department of Labor; requiring, by July 1, 2025, and by each July 1 for the next 4 years, the Commission to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the impact of the Act on persons against whom complaints have been filed; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 668

Chapter 345

Senator Charles, et al

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE – LUGGAGE

Requiring the Department of Human Services to establish and maintain a decentralized supply of new luggage to be used to transport the personal belongings of a child in foster care; requiring the Department to provide new luggage to a child who is entering foster care, moving from one foster care placement to another, or exiting foster care; prohibiting the Department from using disposable bags or trash bags to transport items for a child in foster care; and requiring the Department to maintain certain records.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 542

Chapter 346

Delegate Vogel, et al

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE – LUGGAGE

Requiring the Department of Human Services to establish and maintain a decentralized supply of new luggage to be used to transport the personal belongings of a child in foster care; requiring the Department to provide new luggage to a child in foster care who is entering foster care, moving from one placement to another, or exiting foster care; prohibiting the Department from using disposable bags or trash bags to transport a child's belongings; and requiring the Department to maintain certain records.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 19

Chapter 347

Senator Sydnor

FAILURE TO PAY RENT PROCEEDINGS – SHIELDING OF COURT RECORDS

Requiring the District Court to shield all court records within 60 days after the final resolution of a failure to pay rent proceeding that did not result in a judgment of possession; authorizing the District Court, on motion of a tenant, to shield all court records relating to a failure to pay rent proceeding that results in a judgment of possession under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Judiciary to develop and publish on its website a certain form; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 550 **Senator Sydnor**

Chapter 348 CHILDREN – LABOR TRAFFICKING

Altering the definition of “abuse” to include labor trafficking of a child by any individual for purposes of provisions of law governing children in need of assistance cases and child abuse and neglect reporting; and expanding provisions of law relating to the Safe Harbor Regional Navigator Grant Program to apply to child victims of labor trafficking.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 508 **Delegate Embry, et al**

Chapter 349 CHILDREN – LABOR TRAFFICKING

Altering the definition of “abuse” to include labor trafficking of a child by any individual for purposes of provisions of law governing children in need of assistance cases and child abuse and neglect reporting; expanding provisions of law relating to the Safe Harbor Regional Navigator Grant Program to apply to child victims of labor trafficking; and requiring the Department of Human Services to include labor trafficking in its annual report on child sex trafficking to the Governor and the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1016 **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 350 FREDERICK COUNTY – SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION MASTER
PLAN WORKGROUP

Establishing the Frederick County School Construction Master Plan Workgroup; and requiring the Workgroup to comprehensively evaluate all school facility needs in Frederick County and report its findings and recommendations to certain Frederick County officials, the Interagency Commission on School Construction and the Frederick County House and Senate Delegations by December 31, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 486 **Delegate Fair, et al**
Chapter 351 **RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY SALES – CONTRACT DISCLOSURES
– SUPERFUND SITES**

Requiring the seller of residential real property located within 1 mile of a National Priorities List (NPL) Superfund site to provide the buyer with an addendum to the contract for the sale of the property that contains the identification of the Superfund site, the definition of an NPL Superfund site, web addresses for certain websites, and a notice that the buyer may void the contract of sale within 5 days after signing and dating the contract of sale.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 125 **Senators Lewis Young and Folden**
Chapter 352 **RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY SALES – CONTRACT DISCLOSURES
– SUPERFUND SITES**

Requiring the seller of residential real property located within 1 mile of a National Priorities List (NPL) Superfund site to include a certain addendum, written in conspicuous type, to the contract for the sale of the property; requiring the addendum to provide notice that within 5 days after signing and dating the contract of sale and on written notice to the seller, the buyer may void the contract and is eligible to receive a full refund of any money paid to the seller; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 471 **Delegates Fair and Pruski**
Chapter 353 **ELECTION LAW – POSTELECTION PROCEDURES**

Altering the records and documents that a board of canvassers is required to investigate under certain circumstances; altering the responsibilities of the State Administrator, the State Board of Elections, and the Board of State Canvassers regarding the certification of election results; authorizing the members of the Board of State Canvassers to appoint certain designees to serve on the Board of State Canvassers; and altering the responsibilities of the Governor regarding election results.
EMERGENCY BILL

HB 1390

Chapter 354

Delegate Harris

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – FUNDING AND ADMINISTRATION

Establishing that the State share of eligible costs for certain school construction projects that meet certain criteria is 100%; repealing the provision of law that would have repealed the School Safety Grant Program on June 30, 2026; reducing the appropriation for the Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund to \$70,000,000 annually beginning in fiscal 2027; altering the uses of the Fund, giving the highest priority to schools with a severe facility issue; establishing the Workgroup on the Assessment and Funding of School Facilities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 607

Chapter 355

Delegate Harris

COMMUNITY COLLEGES – MARYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP – REQUIREMENTS

Establishing that applicants for a Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship are not subject to certain requirements of the scholarship application process if the applicant enrolls in a noncredit vocational certificate program, enrolls in a sequence of noncredit courses leading to licensure or certification, or participates in a registered apprenticeship program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 495

Chapter 356

Baltimore County Delegation

EDUCATION – BALTIMORE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING COMMISSION – PUBLISHING AND MEETINGS REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Baltimore County School Board Nominating Commission to publish the names of the candidates for appointment to the Baltimore County Board of Education on the Commission's website before interviewing the candidates; requiring meetings of the Commission that involve action on a candidate for appointment to the county board to be public; and requiring certain meetings of the Commission to be held without the public in attendance and recorded and for the recording to be provided within 48 hours of receiving a request for the recording.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 108 **Baltimore County Delegation**

Chapter 357

BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION –
NONSTUDENT MEMBER COMPENSATION AND STUDENT
MEMBER SCHOLARSHIPS – ALTERATIONS

Altering the annual compensation of certain nonstudent members of the Baltimore County Board of Education from \$7,500 to \$16,500; providing that the chair of the county board is entitled to receive \$17,500 annually as compensation; and increasing the amount that a student member of the board is granted for a certain scholarship from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026

SB 451 **Senators Brooks and Hettleman**

Chapter 358

BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION –
NONSTUDENT MEMBER COMPENSATION AND STUDENT
MEMBER SCHOLARSHIPS – ALTERATIONS

Increasing the annual compensation of nonstudent members of the Baltimore County Board of Education who are not the chair of the county board from \$7,500 to \$16,500; providing that the chair of the county board is entitled to receive an annual compensation of \$17,500; and increasing from the amount that a student member of the county board is granted as a scholarship to be applied toward the student's higher education costs \$7,500 to \$10,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026

SB 542 **Senator Brooks**

Chapter 359

REAL ESTATE BROKERS – BROKERAGE AGREEMENTS –
REQUIREMENTS

Requiring items to be included in a brokerage agreement between a real estate broker and a seller or lessor or a buyer or lessee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 92

Chapter 360

Senator Brooks

PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION – MOTION PICTURE HOUSES – CAPTIONING

Requiring all motion picture houses to offer closed movie captioning for each screening of a certain motion picture; and requiring, if a motion picture is produced and available to motion picture houses with open movie captioning, a place of public accommodation that controls, operates, owns, or leases a motion picture house with eight or more screens in the State to provide open movie captioning for at least two screenings for each motion picture it screens each week for the first 3 weeks after a motion picture premieres in the motion picture house.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 426

Chapter 361

Delegates Bhandari and Jackson

PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION – MOTION PICTURE HOUSES – CAPTIONING

Requiring all motion picture houses to offer closed movie captioning for each screening of a motion picture, with a certain exception; and requiring, if a motion picture is produced and available to motion picture houses with open movie captioning, a place of public accommodation that controls, operates, owns, or leases a motion picture house with eight or more screens in the State to provide open movie captioning for at least two screenings for each motion picture it screens each week.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 423

Chapter 362

Senator James

REAL PROPERTY – RECORDATION – PROCEDURES

Requiring a county treasurer, tax collector, or director of finance to provide a certificate enumerating certain taxes, assessments, and charges against a property and to establish certain procedures to facilitate the issuance of a certificate; requiring a collecting agent presented with a certificate to endorse a deed on payment of transfer and recordation taxes and all charges stated in the certificate and establishing that this endorsement is sufficient authority for a transfer on the assessment books; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 4

Chapter 363

Delegate J. Lewis

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – ADMISSIONS STANDARDS – PROHIBITION ON CONSIDERATION OF LEGACY PREFERENCE OR DONOR PREFERENCE

Prohibiting institutions of higher education that receive State funds from considering a legacy preference or donor preference as an eligible criterion for admissions standards at the institution; and allowing an institution of higher education to ask applicants for information regarding familial relationships to alums of the institution for data collection purposes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 541

Chapter 364

Delegate Henson, et al

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – STUDENT LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR EDUCATORS – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Anne Arundel County Student Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Educators to assist in the repayment of certain student loans owed by educators who meet certain eligibility requirements; providing that the purpose of the Program is to attract, recruit, and retain a diverse cadre of qualified educators in the County's schools that is reflective of the student population; establishing requirements for applicants for assistance in the repayment of a commercial loan; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 657

Chapter 365

Anne Arundel County Senators

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – STUDENT LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR EDUCATORS – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Anne Arundel County Student Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Educators to assist in the repayment of certain student loans owed by educators who meet certain eligibility requirements; providing that the purpose of the program is to attract, recruit, and retain a diverse cadre of qualified educators that is reflective of the student population within the county; authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County to establish the Program for educators employed by the Anne Arundel County Public School System; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 873

Chapter 366

Senator McKay

COURTS – IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY – MARYLAND SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM

Altering, clarifying, and expanding certain provisions of law relating to the immunity from liability of a parent who leaves an unharmed newborn with a responsible adult within 60 days of the birth under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Human Services to develop, implement, and maintain a public information program to inform the public about the Maryland Safe Haven Program; and requiring the Secretary of Human Services to submit a report to the General Assembly about the Maryland Safe Haven Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 995

Chapter 367

Washington County Delegation

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBERS – RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Requiring that a member of the Washington County Board of Education be a resident of Washington County for at least 6 months and the State for at least 12 months immediately preceding the date the member takes office; and requiring members of the county board to maintain a primary residence in Washington County during their term.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 852

Chapter 368

Washington County Senators

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBERS – RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Requiring that a member of the Washington County Board of Education be a resident of Washington County for at least 6 months and a resident of the State for at least 12 months immediately preceding the date the member takes office; and requiring members of the county board to maintain a primary residence in Washington County during their term.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1308

Chapter 369

Delegates Wivell and Valentine

REAL PROPERTY – RECORDATION OF INSTRUMENT WITH FALSE INFORMATION – PENALTIES AND ACTIONS TO QUIET TITLE

Prohibiting a person from recording a deed or other instrument that the person knows contains false information; establishing a 3–year limitation on when a prosecution for a violation of the Act may be commenced; establishing a fine not to exceed \$500 for a violation of the Act; and authorizing a court to award certain costs and attorney’s fees in an action to quiet title if the action or a defense to an action is based on the alleged recordation of a deed containing false information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 834

Chapter 370

Calvert County Delegation

CALVERT COUNTY – ETHICS – CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND COMMISSIONER EXPULSION

Requiring that the conflict of interest provisions enacted by Calvert County include certain provisions relating to judicial relief for certain violations of the county’s conflict of interest provisions; requiring the ethics provisions enacted by Calvert County to include a provision requiring the Calvert County Ethics Commission to make public any recommendation it makes to expel a Commissioner; and requiring Calvert County to enact a law or regulation that authorizes the removal of a county elected official for certain violations.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 833

Chapter 371

Delegate Williams, et al

PARENTS IN SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT – CHILDREN IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE AND TREATMENT FACILITIES

Establishing a presumption that placement with a child’s parent is in the best interest of the child, the child is receiving proper care and attention, and there is not a certain emergency situation if the child’s parent is receiving certain substance use disorder treatment and the child is in the presence of the child’s parent for the duration of the child’s parent’s treatment; authorizing the Behavioral Health Administration to require a facility providing certain treatment to provide beds and services to the patient’s children; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 376 Prince George’s County Delegation

Chapter 372

STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF RELOCATING THE PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM HEADQUARTERS PG 501–24

Requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to hire an independent consultant to study and make recommendations on the feasibility of relocating the Prince George’s County public school system headquarters and to report its recommendations by June 1, 2026; and requiring the County board to cover the cost of the study.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 838 Prince George’s County Delegation

Chapter 373

PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME EXPANSION GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT PG 505–24

Establishing the Prince George’s County Family Child Care Home Expansion Grant Program in the Prince George’s County public school system; providing that the purpose of the Program is to increase the number of registered family child care providers, registered family child care homes, and registered large family child care homes in low–income communities in the county; requiring a local school system to develop a certain application process; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 35 Senator McCray

Chapter 374

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – STATE SUPPLEMENT

Lowering the minimum age from 62 to 60 years old that a member of a household must be for eligibility for a State–provided supplemental benefit under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; and increasing the amount of the supplemental benefit that the State must provide from \$40 to \$50.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 666** **Delegate Shetty, et al**
Chapter 375 **SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – STATE SUPPLEMENT**
- Lowering the minimum age from 62 to 60 years old that a member of a household must be for eligibility for a State–provided supplemental benefit under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; and increasing the amount of the supplemental benefit that the State must provide from \$40 to \$50.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 1304** **Delegate Kaiser, et al**
Chapter 376 **MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND DEPARTMENT OF AGING – EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT – DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION AND TRAINING**
- Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop a process for providing information about the availability of the State’s earned income tax credits to individuals enrolled or participating in certain programs or services, or potential enrollees in certain programs, administered by the Maryland Department of Health; and requiring the Department of Aging to provide training to the Maryland Access Point network to increase awareness of the availability of the State’s earned income tax credit.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 1397** **Delegate Simmons, et al**
Chapter 377 **CIVIL RIGHTS – DISCRIMINATION BASED ON PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS AND REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM**
- Altering certain provisions of law prohibiting discrimination based on certain protected characteristics to include prohibitions on discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, race, religious beliefs, marital status, and disability; and withdrawing and repealing Chapter 244 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2023.
EMERGENCY BILL – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 1388

Chapter 378

Delegate Hill, et al

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – NONCOMPETE AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST CLAUSES FOR VETERINARY AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS AND STUDY OF THE HEALTH CARE MARKET

Applying to certain veterinary and health care professionals certain provisions of law stating that certain noncompete and conflict of interest provisions in certain employment contracts are null and void as being against the public policy of the State; establishing certain prohibitions regarding noncompete and conflict of interest provisions for certain health care employment contracts and similar documents and agreements; and requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to study certain issues related to the health care market in the State.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 809

Chapter 379

Senator Mautz

DORCHESTER COUNTY – COUNTY APPLICANTS – POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION

Exempting applicants for employment as a paramedic or an emergency medical technician with the Emergency Medical Services Division or as a 9–1–1 Center dispatcher at the Dorchester County 9–1–1 Center within the Dorchester County Department of Emergency Services from the prohibition on employers requiring or demanding that an individual submit to or take a polygraph examination as a condition of prospective employment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 589

Chapter 380

Dorchester County Delegation

DORCHESTER COUNTY – COUNTY APPLICANTS – POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION

Exempting applicants for employment as a paramedic or an emergency medical technician with Dorchester County or as a 9–1–1 specialist at the Dorchester County 9–1–1 Center from the prohibition on employers requiring or demanding that an individual submit to or take a polygraph examination as a condition of prospective employment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 1409** **Dorchester County Delegation**
Chapter 381 **DORCHESTER COUNTY – DEFINITION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE – ALTERATION**
- Altering the definition of “public school employee” to include supervisory noncertificated employees in Dorchester County for purposes of collective bargaining.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 1106** **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**
Chapter 382 **ANNUAL CORRECTIVE BILL**
- Correcting certain errors or omissions in certain articles of the Annotated Code; clarifying language; correcting certain obsolete references; reorganizing certain sections of the Annotated Code; providing that this Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; and providing for the correction of certain errors and obsolete provisions by the publishers of the Annotated Code.
EMERGENCY BILL
- SB 290** **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**
Chapter 383 **CERTIFIED LOCAL FARM AND FISH PROGRAM – ANNUAL WAIVER REPORTS – ALTERATIONS**
- Altering the annual deadline, from July 31 to October 31, for the Office for the Certified Local Farm and Fish Program to submit to the Board of Public Works a report of waivers requested and waivers granted under the Certified Local Farm and Fish Program; and altering the annual deadline, from October 1 to December 31, for the Board of Public Works to submit to certain standing committees a copy of a record of information regarding any waivers requested under the Certified Local Farm and Fish Program.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1516 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 384 **Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

**REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS – NOTICE OF CHANGE IN
VALUE OR CLASSIFICATION – TIME PERIOD**

Increasing, for taxable year 2024, the time period after which a failure to send a notice of change in value or classification creates an irrebuttable presumption that the prior value or classification of certain real property has not changed.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 289 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 385 **Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION –
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR – ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

Increasing from 5% to 15% the percentage of the administrative expenses of the Office of the Director of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation that the Department may pay from a certain fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 245 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 386 **Health)**

**MARYLAND COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION
– SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Adding the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission to the governmental activities and units subject to the Maryland Program Evaluation Act; and extending the termination date to June 30, 2035, for certain provisions of law related to the Commission.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 236 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 387 **Health)**

STATE ACUPUNCTURE BOARD – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Acupuncture Board in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 237 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 388 **Health)**

STATE BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL CHILD
CARE PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board for Certification of Residential Child
Care Program Professionals in accordance with the provisions of the
Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July
1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and
regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 238 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 389 **Health)**

STATE BOARD OF DIETETIC PRACTICE – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Dietetic Practice in accordance with
the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act by extending
to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to the statutory
and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 239 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 390 **Health)**

STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE –
SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice in
accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation
Act by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating
to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 240 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 391 **Health)**

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY – SUNSET
EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Examiners in Optometry in accordance
with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset
law) by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating
to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 257 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 392 **Health)**

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS – SUNSET
EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 241 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 393 **Health)**

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS – SUNSET
EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 242 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 394 **Health)**

STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – SUNSET
EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Social Work Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; and requiring the Board, by December 1, 2024, to report to certain committees of the General Assembly information from the preceding 6-month period on processing times for license issuance and renewal, complaint resolution times, and the rate of compliance with certain requirements.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 242 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 395 **Departmental – Labor)**

STATE AMUSEMENT RIDE SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD –
SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board to July 1, 2027; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a report to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee by July 1, 2025, with certain information regarding the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 261 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee**
Chapter 396 **(By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

STATE BOARD OF BARBERS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND
REPORT

Continuing the State Board of Barbers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2027, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a report to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee on or before July 1, 2025, with information regarding the Board as determined by the Committee.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 264 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee**
Chapter 397 **(By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGISTS – SUNSET EXTENSION
AND REPORT

Continuing the State Board of Cosmetologists in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2027, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a certain report to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee on or before July 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 288 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee**
Chapter 398 **(By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

STATE BOARD OF INDIVIDUAL TAX PREPARERS – SUNSET
EXTENSION AND REPORT

Continuing the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2027, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a certain report to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee on or before July 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 296 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee**
Chapter 399 **(By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS –
SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2027, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a certain report to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee on or before July 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 307 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee**
Chapter 400 **(By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

PUBLIC SAFETY – BOARD OF BOILER RULES – MEMBERSHIP,
SUNSET EXTENSION, AND REPORT

Altering the membership of the Board of Boiler Rules to include a representative with at least 10 years of experience in constructing, installing, and repairing boilers and pressure vessels; extending the termination date for the Board to July 1, 2029; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a certain report to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee on or before July 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 225 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 401 **Labor)**

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD –
SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the Occupational Safety and Health Advisory Board in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to June 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 228 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee and**
Chapter 402 **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request –**
 Departmental – Natural Resources)

NATURAL RESOURCES – MARYLAND STATE PARKS – FUNDS
AND PLAN ALTERATIONS

Extending the date by which the Park System Critical Maintenance Fund must be expended to before July 1, 2029; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to expend up to \$400,000 from the Park System Critical Maintenance Fund under certain circumstances; authorizing the Park System Capital Improvements and Acquisition Fund to be used for State projects on lands managed by the Department for public purposes; authorizing the Great Maryland Outdoors Fund to be used for promoting outdoor environmental education in the State; etc.

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HB 1525 **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 403 **Departmental – Stadium Authority)**

MARYLAND STADIUM AUTHORITY – CAMDEN YARDS
FOOTBALL SPORTS FACILITY SPECIAL FUNDS –
ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Camden Yards Football Sports Facility Capital Works Fund and the Camden Yards Football Sports Facility Emergency Repair Fund as special, nonlapsing funds to be administered by the Maryland Stadium Authority; providing that the purpose of the funds is to enable the Authority to pay all expenses related to capital improvements and repairs at the Camden Yards football sports facility; and requiring the transfer of certain amounts from a certain source into the funds.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 161 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By**
Chapter 404 **Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVER'S LICENSES, LEARNER'S
INSTRUCTIONAL PERMITS, AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Exempting certain applicants for identification cards who present certain documentation from the issuance fee for the identification card; extending the term of certain learner's instructional permits from 180 days to 1 year after the date of issuance; and establishing that certain driver's licenses issued to certain holders by the Motor Vehicle Administration remain in full force and effect during an absence from the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 277 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 405 **Departmental – Transportation)**

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HB 230 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By**
Chapter 406 **Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

**MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION AND LOCAL HEALTH
DEPARTMENTS – DEATH CERTIFICATES – ISSUANCE OF
COPIES**

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration and local health departments to access electronically from the Maryland Department of Health a copy of a death certificate and, on request, provide any person authorized by regulations with a certified or abridged copy of a death certificate; and authorizing the Administration and local health departments to set and collect a fee for processing and issuing death certificates, subject to certain limitations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 267 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 407 **Departmental – Transportation)**

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Sincerely,

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