SYNOPSIS



House Bills and Joint Resolutions 2024 Maryland General Assembly Session

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PLEASE NOTE: February 9 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 8.

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

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 7, 2024

HB 1032 Delegate Solomon

HIGHWAYS – TOURIST AREA AND CORRIDOR SIGNAGE PROGRAM

Establishing the Tourist Area and Corridor Signage Program to create a system of supplemental guide signs to direct motorists to eligible individual attractions by directing the motorists first to groups of attractions; establishing an Eligibility Committee to review attraction applications; requiring the Administration to prepare a certain signage plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 8-755 - added

HB 1033 Delegate Mireku–North, et al

BUSINESS REGULATION – ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES MANUFACTURERS – CERTIFICATIONS

Requiring a tobacco product manufacturer and a certain electronic smoking devices manufacturer to pay a certain certification fee; authorizing the Executive Director of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission and the Attorney General to take certain action relating to the licensure of certain electronic smoking devices manufacturers, wholesalers, importers, and retailers and vape shop vendors in certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, Various Sections - amended and §§ 16-509 and 16.7-301 through 16.7-307 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1034 Delegate Smith

BALTIMORE CITY SHERIFF - STAFFING

Increasing from one to three the number of assistant sheriffs required to be appointed by the Baltimore City Sheriff; and authorizing the Baltimore City Sheriff to appoint social workers and any additional sworn or civilian personnel, that are funded by the Sheriff's operating budget or by any other funding source.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 2-316(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1035 Delegate Rosenberg, et al

REAL PROPERTY – INSUFFICIENT CONDOMINIUM RESERVE ACCOUNT GRANT FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Insufficient Condominium Reserve Account Grant Fund to provide grants to low–income condominium owners who live in condominiums with insufficient reserve accounts to enable a low–income unit owner to pay increased assessments necessary for a condominium association to meet reserve account funding requirements; requiring that the Fund prioritize low–income adults aged 65 years or older; and requiring by December 31 annually, low–income unit owners who received grants to make a certain report regarding the reserve account balance.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 11-144 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended

HB 1036 Delegate Smith

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – MATERNAL FETAL MEDICINE SERVICES – REIMBURSEMENT

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to reimburse physicians billing for maternal fetal medicine services at the rate set under the federal Medicare fee schedule.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 15-112.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1037 Delegate Taylor, et al

TASK FORCE ON THE CREATION OF A DIVISION OF RETURNING CITIZENS AND EXPANDED REENTRY SERVICES – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Task Force on the Creation of a Division of Returning Citizens and Expanded Reentry Services to identify reentry services in the State, develop a plan to establish a new division within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, and to develop a plan to expand certain services for individuals after release from incarceration; and requiring the Task Force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1038 Delegate Stein

MOTOR VEHICLES – EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – REGISTRATION SURCHARGE

Increasing from \$17.00 to \$21.25 for certain motor vehicles the annual surcharge supporting emergency medical services in the State to be paid in addition to the annual registration fee.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TR, § 13-954 - amended

HB 1039 Delegate Terrasa, et al

CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – RESALE CONTRACTS – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Establishing that certain required notices in certain resale contracts may be provided to a purchaser's real estate agent; altering certain fees a council of unit owners or a homeowners association or its agent may charge for providing certain disclosures; and altering the time period from 5 to 7 days within which a purchaser may cancel a resale contract when required notices are not provided.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, §§ 11-135(a) through (c), 11B-106(a) and (c), and 11B-108(b)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1040 Delegate Woods, et al

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – LIMITED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2025, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide limited behavioral health services to individuals under the age of 18 years regardless of whether the individual has a behavioral health diagnosis; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to seek input from stakeholders in determining the limited behavioral health services to be covered; and requiring by January 1 each year, the Department to report to the General Assembly on the limited behavioral health services provided under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 15-103(a)(2)(xxi) and (xxii) - amended and §§ 15-103(a)(2)(xxiii) and 15-141.5 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1041 Delegate Cardin, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – HATE CRIMES – RELIGION AND DISABILITY

Defining "disability" as it relates to laws prohibiting hate crimes; and prohibiting a person from committing or attempting to commit certain crimes motivated either in whole or in substantial part by another person's religion.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, §§ 10-301 and 10-304 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1042 Delegate Guzzone

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL BMP BEST IN SHOW PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Maryland Agricultural BMP Best in Show Program to provide and prioritize the use of certain funding relating to agricultural best management practices and to increase the cost–effectiveness and environmental, social, and health impacts of State–funded best management practices in a certain manner; requiring the Department of Agriculture to administer and manage certain competitive grants under the Program in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AG, §§ 2-2301 and 2-2302 and NR, § 8-2A-02(f)(5) - added and EN, § 9-1605.4(f)(3) and NR, § 8-2A-02(f)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1043 Delegate Cullison

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE – INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Insurance Administration jointly to conduct a study of Maryland Medical Assistance Program and commercial health insurance coverage to measure the number and percentage of individuals who have been denied health coverage for the treatment of an intellectual disability from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2025, both inclusive; and requiring the Department and the Administration to jointly report their findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2025. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1044 Delegate Solomon

STATE AGENCY WORKFORCE POLICY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Prohibiting a unit of State government from taking certain actions related to the use of an applicant's or employee's lack of achievement of a certain level of education in employment decisions; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to rename the title and alter the description of certain State positions under certain circumstances, identify occupations in State government that could benefit from apprenticeship programs, and establish group sponsored apprenticeship programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, §§ 2-203.2 and 4-206 - added and § 7-201 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1045 Delegate Crutchfield

FAMILY LAW - CHILD SUPPORT - MULTIFAMILY ADJUSTMENT

Altering the definition of "adjusted actual income" under the State child support guidelines by requiring the deduction, from actual income, of an allowance for support for each child in the parent's home for whom the parent owes a legal duty of support but who is not subject to a support order; requiring that the amount of a certain allowance be subtracted from a parent's actual income before the court determines the amount of a child support award; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FL, §§ 12-201(c), 12-202(a), and 12-204(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1046 Delegate Clippinger

PUBLIC UTILITIES – DISTRIBUTED GENERATION CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Establishing a distributed generation certificate of public convenience and necessity to authorize the construction and operation of a certain distributed solar energy generating system; requiring the Power Plant Research Program to develop and submit to the Public Service Commission proposed siting and design requirements and licensing conditions; prohibiting a person from being required to obtain a distributed generation certificate of public convenience and necessity until a certain condition is met; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, $\S 3-306(a)(1)$ and PU, $\S\S 7-207(b)(1)$ and 7-207.1(c)(1) - amended and PU, $\S 7-207.3$ - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1047 Delegate Bartlett

CONSUMER PROTECTION – SELF–ADMINISTERED SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS

Providing that a party in a criminal trial involving an allegation of a sexual crime may not introduce evidence that physical evidence of a sexual crime 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, deceptive, or abusive trade practice; establishing the Forensic Nurse Examiner Training Grant Program; and establishing the Forensic Nurse Examiner Training Grant Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, §§ 13-301(14)(xlii) and 14-4601 through 14-4604 and CJ, § 10-925 - added and CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1048 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL AND COMMISSION ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE TREATMENT AND ACCESS – ALTERATIONS

Altering the membership and terms of members of the Behavioral Health Advisory Council; requiring the Commission on Behavioral Health Care Treatment and Access to meet jointly with the Council; and requiring the Commission, in coordination with the Council, to make recommendations regarding the financing structure and quality oversight necessary to integrate somatic and behavioral health services in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, §§ 7.5-303, 7.5-305, 13-4802, 13-4803(f), 13-4805, 13-4806, and 13-4807 - amended

HB 1049 Delegate Pruski

CONSUMER PROTECTION – AUTOMATIC RENEWALS

Requiring a person who makes an automatic renewal offer to consumers to allow a consumer to cancel the automatic renewal in a certain manner; requiring automatic renewal offers to be displayed in a certain manner and contain certain information; and establishing that a violation of the Act is an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xlii) and 14-1328 - added Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1050 Delegate Pruski

WORKERS' COMPENSATION – MODIFICATION OF AWARD – EXTENSION

Extending, for 60 days, the period of time during which the Workers' Compensation Commission may modify an award related to a workers' compensation claim if an appeal is filed during the original 5-year period during which the Commission maintains authority to modify an appeal; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 9-736 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1051 Delegate White Holland, et al

MATERNAL HEALTH – ASSESSMENTS, REFERRALS, AND REPORTING (MARYLAND MATERNAL HEALTH ACT OF 2024)

Establishing requirements on local health departments and certain health care providers and facilities regarding maternal health, including requirements regarding prenatal risk assessment forms and postpartum infant and maternal referral forms; prohibiting the Maryland Department of Health from providing Medical Assistance Program reimbursement to a hospital or freestanding birthing center unless the facility complies with certain provisions of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 15-155, 19-310.4, 19-3B-03.1, 24-2401, and 24-2402 - added

HB 1052 Delegate Clippinger, et al

BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 46TH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – REVISIONS

Providing that, in the 46th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City, a certain license may be issued and an existing license may be moved to a building that is within a certain distance of a place of worship or school under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to waive a certain requirement for a certain license holder that operates a restaurant to remain open after hours; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, §§ 12-1605(b) and 12-2007 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1053 Delegate Kaiser, et al

STATE BOARD OF NURSING – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to convene a stakeholder workgroup to study the qualifications for the executive director of the State Board of Nursing and submit a report on the workgroup's findings and recommendations to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on or before December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1054 Delegates Hill and Simmons

PHYSICIANS – LICENSING – FOREIGN PRACTICING PHYSICIANS

Exempting a foreign practicing physician applicant for a license from certain education requirements under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Physicians to establish a consortium of postgraduate medical education programs for the purpose of developing, implementing, and administering an examination to assess the ability of a foreign practicing physician to meet the standard of care for the independent practice of medicine; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, §§ 14-101(d-2) and (e-2) and 14-319.1 - added and §§ 14-308 and 14-316 - amended

HB 1055 Delegate Qi, et al

ENVIRONMENT - HIGHWAYS - SALT APPLICATION

Requiring each State agency, county, and municipality to maintain certain records of its highway salt application and submit to the Department of the Environment by July 1 each year a report on its highway salt application for the previous winter season.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 9-2302 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1056 Delegate Guzzone, et al

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – PROHIBITION ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST 340B DRUG DISTRIBUTION

Prohibiting a 340B manufacturer, wholesale drug distributor, or third–party logistics provider, or an agent or affiliate of a 340B manufacturer, wholesale drug distributor, or third–party logistics provider, from taking certain actions to limit or restrict the acquisition or delivery of a 340B drug; and making a violation of this Act an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice within the meaning of the Consumer Protection Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended and CL, § 13-301(14)(xlii) and HO, § 12-6C-09.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1057 Delegate Ruth

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE USE AND POSSESSION OF DE MINIMIS QUANTITIES OF CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Use and Possession of De Minimis Quantities of Controlled Dangerous Substances; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by October 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1058 Delegate Young

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM – PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTAL UNITS – BALTIMORE CITY SCHOOL POLICE FORCE

Authorizing membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for certain employees of the Baltimore City School Police Force under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, $\S\S 26-201(a)(22)$ and (23) and 31-2A-02 - amended and $\S 26-201(a)(24)$ - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1059 Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – QUALIFYING MUNICIPAL CORPORATION – LAND USE PG/MC 105–24

Authorizing a governing body of a qualifying municipal corporation by resolution to exercise the powers of the Prince George's County Planning Board, the zoning hearing examiner for Prince George's County, or the District Council for Prince George's County to make specified land use decisions; subjecting the exercise of those powers to the substantive and procedural requirements and standards established in the Prince George's County zoning ordinance; and providing for the judicial review of certain actions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, § 22-119 - amended and § 25-304 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1060 Carroll County Delegation

CARROLL COUNTY - SHERIFF - SALARY

Altering the annual salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County to be equal to the salary of a Department of State Police lieutenant colonel, at the highest available step for a lieutenant colonel under the Department of State Police pay plan beginning in 2026; and providing for a certain change in the annual salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County under certain circumstances for each term of office of the Sheriff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 2-320(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1061 Delegate Young

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FACILITY FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Public Charter School Facility Fund to provide funding on an annual basis to public charter schools in the State for eligible expenses associated with school facilities; exempting the Fund from a requirement that interest earnings on State money accrue to the General Fund of the State; requiring the Interagency Commission on School Construction to administer the Fund; and requiring the Fund to be used only to acquire, plan, develop, finance, construct, lease, improve, repair, and maintain public charter school facilities.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 5-330 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1062 Delegate Lopez

CRIMINAL LAW – HARASSMENT – DIGITALLY ALTERED OR GENERATED VISUAL REPRESENTATIONS

Prohibiting a person from knowingly distributing an intentionally digitally altered or generated representation of another identifiable person that displays the other person with his or her intimate parts exposed or while engaging in an act of sexual activity under certain circumstances; and establishing a certain cause of action for a victim of a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 3-809 - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1063 Delegate Williams

CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS – CRIMINAL PROHIBITIONS, CIVIL ACTIONS, AND FORFEITURE

Establishing the statute of limitations for a certain civil action for damages resulting from certain participation in a criminal organization; altering certain definitions of "criminal organization" and "underlying crime"; authorizing the filing of and establishing procedures for a civil action for injunctive relief and damages arising out of certain participation in a criminal organization; and establishing procedures for the forfeiture of property connected to certain participation in a criminal organization.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-122, CR, § 9-808, and CP, §§ 13-601 through 13-637 - added and CR, § 9-801 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1064 Delegate Hartman, et al

INCOME TAX SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – DEATH BENEFITS – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIRE FIGHTERS

Allowing a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for the payment of a death benefit under a collective bargaining agreement to a spouse or beneficiary of a law enforcement officer or fire fighter whose death arises out of the course of employment; and applying the Act retroactively to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-207(e-1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1065 Delegate Clippinger

PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Entertainment District Security Grant Program to assist community organizations, nonprofit entities, and local governments in funding security operations during times of high pedestrian traffic in certain entertainment districts; establishing the Maryland Entertainment District Security Grant Program Fund; authorizing the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include up to \$1,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, §§ 4-1701 through 4-1703 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1066 Delegate Henson

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE PRESERVATION GRANT FUND – ALTERATIONS

Altering the uses of the African American Heritage Preservation Grant Fund to include grants to an African American heritage organization to fund the organization's operations and activities; providing that the Grant Fund shall be jointly administered by the Commission on African American History and Culture and the Maryland Historical Trust; allocating certain money in the Grant Fund to be used for certain purposes; altering the required contents of a certain application for a certain grant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, § 5A-330 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1067 Delegate Feldmark

DIGITAL ADVERTISING GROSS REVENUES TAX – ASSESSMENTS – APPEALS AND CORRECTIONS

Establishing a certain appeal process for persons who are subject to the digital advertising gross revenues tax and receive a notice of assessment from the Comptroller; authorizing the Comptroller or the Comptroller's designee to issue an order to correct an erroneous assessment of the digital advertising gross revenues tax, subject to certain conditions; and applying the Act to assessments of the digital advertising gross revenues tax made after June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, §§ 13-508 and 13-509 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1068 Delegate Feldmark

MARYLAND REVISED UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT – DONORS – REGISTRATION BY TAX RETURN CHECKOFF

Authorizing an individual to make an anatomical gift in accordance with the Maryland Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act by indication on the individual's State income tax return; requiring the Comptroller to cooperate with the State's designated organ registry organization for certain purposes; requiring the Comptroller to include a certain checkoff and certain information on a certain State income tax return form; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027

ET, §§ 4-503(b) and 4-516(c) - amended and TG, § 2-118 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1069 Delegate Kaufman

STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF, DEAFBLIND, AND HARD OF HEARING

Establishing the Commission for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing as an independent unit of State government to provide and advocate for accessible and comprehensive services, and foster inclusivity, equal opportunities, and improved quality of life, for individuals who are deaf, deafblind, or hard of hearing.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, §§ 9-3801 through 9-3806 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1070 Delegate Korman

MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – TOLLS – COLLECTION AND USE (MARYLAND TOLL RATE REFORM ACT OF 2024)

Establishing the Transportation Facilities Overage Account in the Transportation Trust Fund; requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to fix, revise, charge, and collect fees, tolls, and other charges for the use of transportation facilities under its control to maximize revenues above certain amounts and to distribute the additional revenues to the Transportation Facilities Overage Account for certain purposes; and establishing certain standards under which the Authority is required to set certain toll rates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 3-215(b), 3-216(c)(2)(i), and 4-312(c) - amended and §§ 3-216(d)(5) and 4-312(b-1) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 1071 Delegate Alston, et al

FAMILY LAW - GRANDPARENT VISITATION

Providing that an equity court may grant visitation rights to a grandparent of a child if the court finds it to be in the best interest of the child, both the child's living parents consent, one of the child's living parents consents, both of the child's living parents are unable to consent, or certain exceptional circumstances exist.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FL, § 9-102 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1072 Delegate Barnes

SALES AND USE TAX – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – RATE ALTERATION

Increasing the rate of the sales and use tax from 9% to 10% applied to certain sales of alcoholic beverages.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 11-104(g) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1073 Delegate Barnes

TOBACCO TAX – CIGARETTES – RATE ALTERATION

Altering the tobacco tax rate for cigarettes; and requiring that all cigarettes used, possessed, or held in the State on or after July 1, 2024, are subject to the tax enacted by the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 12-105(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1074 Delegate Bagnall

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; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to exercise discretion to review subsets of nonquantitative treatment limitations under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

IN, § 15-144 and Chapters 211 and 212 of the Acts of 2020, § 4 - amended Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1075 Delegates Young and R. Lewis

SALES AND USE TAX – ELECTRIC BICYCLES AND ELECTRIC LOW SPEED SCOOTERS – EXEMPTION

Providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to a sale of a certain electric bicycle or a certain electric low speed scooter from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029; and requiring, on or before December 31 each year, the Comptroller to submit a report to the General Assembly on the amount of forgone sales and use tax revenue attributable to the exemption.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 11-246 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1076 Delegate Roberts, et al

EDUCATION – BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS – TEXTBOOK EQUITY

Requiring each county board of education, on or before January 15 each year, to determine the instructional materials that will be used in the upcoming school year and to coordinate with the Instructional Resources Center to provide the materials in a specialized format to blind or visually impaired students; requiring the State Department of Education to cover the cost to produce materials that are not available in a specialized format; requiring certain textbook publishers to provide an electronic file of certain textbooks; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 8-408(b) and (e) - amended and § 8-408(e) and (f) - added Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1077 Delegate Ruth, et al

OFFICE OF SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN BUSINESS AFFAIRS – SMALL BUSINESS CLIMATE CHANGE COORDINATOR – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Small Business Climate Change Coordinator in the Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs in the Executive Department to support the State's small, minority, and women—owned business community on matters related to climate change; and requiring, on request, the Coordinator to advise the Governor and the General Assembly on the impact of climate change on small businesses and the effect of a transition to advanced clean energy on small businesses in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 9-303.4 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1078 Delegate Woods, et al

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – REMOTE ULTRASOUND PROCEDURES AND REMOTE FETAL NONSTRESS TESTS

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide remote ultrasound procedures and remote fetal nonstress tests if the patient is in a residence or a location other than the office of the patient's provider and the provider follows the same standard of care that the provider would follow when providing the services on—site.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 15-103(a)(2)(ii) - amended and § 15-141.5 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1079 Delegate Phillips, et al

COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – JURY EXAMINATION

Specifying the purpose of jury examination in any State court is to identify and remove prospective jurors who are unable to serve fairly and impartially, and allow the parties to obtain information that may provide guidance for the use of peremptory challenges and challenges for cause.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 8-423 - added Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1080 Carroll County Delegation

CARROLL COUNTY – OFFICE OF PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS – DENIAL OF PERMIT OR LICENSE FOR UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Prohibiting the Carroll County Office of Permits and Inspections from issuing or renewing a license or permit in the county until the applicant submits certain evidence that the applicant has no unpaid assessed personal property taxes except under certain circumstances; and authorizing the Carroll County Office of Permits and Inspections to issue or renew a certain license or permit if the applicant submits certain evidence that the applicant has paid any previously unpaid assessed personal property taxes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LG, § 12-905 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Ways and Means

HB 1081 Delegates Phillips and Taylor

PUBLIC SAFETY – AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS – CAPTURED PLATE DATA

Altering the definition of "historical data" to include automatic license plate reader data stored by cloud computing; and establishing that certain captured automatic license plate reader data is the property of a certain law enforcement agency and may not be sold for any purpose.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 3-509(a)(6) and (b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1082 Delegates Smith and Toles

BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE IMPLEMENTATION – FUNDING AND INDEPENDENT EVALUATION – ALTERATIONS

Requiring, in fiscal years 2026 and 2027, each county board of education to provide for the salary and benefits of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future implementation coordinator in the county; requiring the implementation coordinator's salary and benefits to be paid for by the State and the county in a certain proportion; altering the dates by which the entity contracted to perform an independent evaluation of the implementation of the Blueprint is required to report to the Board; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 5-404(h) and 5-410(c) and (d) and Chapter 36 of the Acts of 2021, § 16(d) through (f) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1083 Delegate Pruski

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSE – REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

Altering certain cultivation or production requirements applicable to a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license by basing them on agricultural products instead of grapes and other fruit; altering the standards for the purchase of certain wine by a license holder; and repealing a certain authorization for a license holder to blend certain wine under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 2-206 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1084 Delegate Martinez, et al

EMPLOYEE AUTOIMMUNE DISORDER PROTECTION ACT

Prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to work on—site at the employer's workplace if the employee provides documentation from a physician or other licensed health care practitioner that the employee has been diagnosed with an autoimmune disorder or other qualifying illness and that on—site work, or travel to and from the workplace, would be unsafe for the employee and the duties of the employee may reasonably be fulfilled at the home of the employee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, §§ 3-103(n) and 3-1801 through 3-1805 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1085 Delegate Cullison

MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – MENTAL HEALTH PARITY AND ADDICTION EQUITY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – REVISIONS AND SUNSET REPEAL

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 Maryland Insurance Commissioner may use to enforce compliance with the reporting requirements; repealing the requirement that the Commissioner use a certain form for the reporting requirements; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

IN, § 15-144 - amended and Chapters 211 and 212 of the Acts of 2020, §§ 2 and 3 - repealed and § 4 - amended

HB 1086 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Office 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; repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to the filing of a certain petition for compensation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SF, § 10-501 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1087 Delegate Queen

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – ONLINE GAMBLING – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting online gambling while on campus at an institution of higher education in the State; requiring by August 1, 2024, each institution of higher education to establish a geofence around the perimeter of the campus that prevents access to online gambling within the campus property; and requiring each institution of higher education in the State to publish a written policy online that is consistent with the provisions of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 15-138 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 1088 Delegate Feldmark

ELECTION LAW – AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION – ALTERATIONS

Altering automatic voter registration procedures at the Motor Vehicle Administration and the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange; establishing requirements regarding the transmission of automatic voter registration information by the Administration and the Exchange, the processing of the voter registration information by the State Board of Elections, and the sending of notices by the State Board and the Exchange; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

EL, \S 3-203(c) through (j) - renumbered, \S 3-203(b) and 3-203.1 - added, and \S 3-203(b), 3-303, and 3-503 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1089 Delegate Clippinger (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE – DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in the Downtown Management District; and establishing the requirements for a holder of the license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 12-1606 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1090 Delegate Queen, et al

REVITALIZING NEIGHBORHOODS THROUGH HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Revitalizing Neighborhoods Through Homeownership Program to provide financial assistance in the form of loans to political subdivisions to support the purchase and renovation of HUD dollar homes and abandoned residential properties for resale to low—to moderate—income buyers; and establishing the Revitalizing Neighborhoods Through Homeownership Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide financial assistance in the form of loans under the provisions of the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HS, §§ 4-510 and 4-3001 through 4-3004 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1091 Delegate Vogel, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE CLINIC SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT (PROTECTING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE CLINICS ACT)

Establishing the Reproductive Health Care Clinic Security Grant Program in the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to assist reproductive health care clinics in the State with costs associated with security improvements and safety operational expenses; and authorizing the Governor in fiscal year 2026 to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 4-1701 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1092 Delegate White Holland, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT PERSONNEL – TRAINING IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION

Requiring the Maryland 9–1–1 Board to establish training standards for public safety answering point personnel concerning telecommunications cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and altering the purposes of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund to include funding the costs of certain telecommunications cardiopulmonary resuscitation training.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, $\S\S 1-306(b)(15)$ and 1-308(b)(2)(viii) and (ix) - amended and $\S 1-308(b)(2)(x)$ - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1093 Delegate Bagnall

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION – SUBPOENA ENFORCEMENT

Authorizing the Human Relations Commission of Anne Arundel County to seek relief in a certain manner if a party fails to comply with a subpoena.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LG, § 12-905 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1094 Delegate Lopez

PUBLIC HEALTH - OVERDOSE PREVENTION SITE PILOT PROGRAM

Authorizing a community—based organization to establish an overdose prevention site pilot program with the approval of the Maryland Department of Health and in consultation with the local health department; requiring a program to acquire gas chromatograph mass spectrometer machines for drug sample testing; requiring the Secretary of Health to provide to a program a grant equal to the costs incurred by the program to acquire gas chromatograph mass spectrometer machines; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, §§ 24-2401 through 24-2406 - added and SF, § 7-331(f) - amended

HB 1095 Delegates Vogel and Foley

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – LOCAL JOURNALISM SUSTAINABILITY GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the Local Journalism Sustainability Grant Program within the Department of Commerce; requiring the Department to award grants under the Program to certain small businesses for costs paid or incurred to place an advertisement in a local newspaper, subject to certain limitations; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual State budget an appropriation of at least \$25,000 annually for the Program.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

EC, §§ 5-2501 through 5-2504 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1096 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – OVERDOSE AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM

Authorizing a community—based organization, with the approval of the Maryland Department of Health, to establish an Overdose and Infectious Disease Prevention Services Program to provide a location for the consumption of preobtained drugs, provide sterile needles, administer first aid, and certain other services; authorizing a Program to bill the insurance carrier of an individual who uses the services; authorizing the Department to approve not more than six programs, preferably two in urban, two in rural, and two in suburban areas; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, §§ 24-2401 through 24-2406 - added

HB 1097 Delegate Guyton

STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS – VETERINARY TECHNICIANS AND VETERINARY ASSISTANTS

Authorizing a veterinary assistant to perform certain tasks under the direct supervision of a veterinary practitioner or a veterinary technician; authorizing a veterinary technician to perform certain procedures, including certain emergency procedures and euthanasia, under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to develop a certain alternative pathway for veterinary assistants to become veterinary technicians; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AG, § 2-301(c), (g), and (j) - amended and §§ 2-301(c-1), (c-2), and (h-1) and § 2-309.1 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1098 Delegate Alston, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – PROHIBITED INGREDIENTS IN FOOD

Prohibiting a person from manufacturing, selling, delivering, holding, or offering for sale in the State food that contains brominated vegetable oil, potassium bromate, propylparaben, or red dye 3.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2027

HG, § 21-259.4 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1099 Delegate Guyton

VETERINARY PRACTITIONERS AND VETERINARY TECHNICIANS – COMPOUNDING PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – AUTHORIZATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Authorizing certain veterinary practitioners and veterinary technicians to compound prescription drugs under certain circumstances; requiring a veterinary clinic or hospital that carries out compounding to establish certain policies and keep certain records regarding certain compounded prescription drugs; authorizing an office manager or veterinary assistant to maintain certain records in a certain manner and update certain policies under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AG, § 2-313.4 - added

HB 1100 Delegate Cardin

HEALTH – CHILD ADVOCACY CENTERS – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Requiring child advocacy centers to report annually to the Behavioral Health Administration certain information related to behavioral health care services provided at the center; requiring the Administration to include in its annual report certain information related to child advocacy centers; and authorizing the Secretary of Health to investigate certain complaints related to child advocacy centers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 2-503(a) and 7.5-209(b)(7) and (8) - amended and §§ 7.5-209(b)(9), 7.5-209.1, and 24-2401 through 24-2404 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Judiciary

HB 1101 Delegate Love, et al

STANDING – ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION PROCEEDINGS (CLEAN WATER JUSTICE ACT OF 2024)

Providing certain persons and associations standing in environmental and natural resources protection proceedings, including proceedings arising under provisions of law relating to water quality and water resources protection, subject to certain conditions; authorizing persons that meet standing requirements to bring certain civil actions under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to grant certain relief, award certain costs, and impose certain civil penalties in certain civil actions under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 1-901 through 1-905 - added

HB 1102 Delegate Wolek

MARYLAND GREEN SCHOOLS – WEBSITE UPDATE AND MAINTENANCE

Requiring the Maryland Association of Environmental and Outdoor Education to use a certain appropriation to update, by January 1, 2026, and maintain a certain website dedicated to green schools and becoming certified as a green school; and requiring county boards of education to prominently display a link to the website on the county board's website and circulate certain information to teachers and staff.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-117.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1103 Delegate Wolek, et al

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.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HU, §§ 10-1401 through 10-1405 - added

HB 1104 Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ZONING AND LAND USE – FAIRNESS IN ZONING PG/MC 106–24

Providing that, in Prince George's County, the planning board's authority over zoning and subdivision matters is not exclusive and may be subject to review by the district council under certain circumstances; authorizing the district council in Prince George's County to adopt and amend zoning law procedures for certain zoning decisions; prohibiting, in Prince George's County, the district council from amending the zoning laws or zoning classification of certain property in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LU, §§ 20-202(a), 22-104, 22-120, and 25-213 - amended, § 25-212 - repealed, and §§ 25-212, 25-214, and 25-215 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1105 Delegate Woods, et al

APRN – CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT AND EXCEPTIONS

Requiring an individual, subject to certain exceptions, to be certified as an advanced practice registered nurse before practicing advanced practice registered nursing in the State.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HO, § 8-301 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1106 Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ZONING AMENDMENT – PROHIBITION PG/MC 115–24

Prohibiting the Prince George's County district council from amending its zoning law to allow single–family attached dwelling uses on property that is used, or was previously used, as an airport and is located in an area zoned for residential–agricultural use.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, § 25-214 - added

HB 1107 Delegate Rose, et al

INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR SPAYING AND NEUTERING DOGS AND CATS

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for up to \$100 of certain qualified expenses incurred by an individual during the taxable year to spay or neuter a dog or cat owned by the individual.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-758 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1108 Delegate Boyce

REAL PROPERTY – RESIDENTIAL LEASES – FEE IN LIEU OF A SECURITY DEPOSIT

Authorizing a landlord to offer the payment of a fee in lieu of a security deposit in a residential lease subject to certain requirements; requiring a landlord to purchase certain insurance coverage using a fee in lieu of a security deposit; establishing certain procedural requirements for a landlord and an insurer relating to certain insurance claims; authorizing a tenant to dispute certain claims by a landlord and providing that claims by a landlord or an insurer are void under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 8-203(a)(3) - amended and § 8-203.2 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1109 Delegate Ruth, et al

ELECTION LAW – REGISTERED VOTER LIST AND PETITIONS (BALLOT PETITION MODERNIZATION ACT)

Requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations for the secure storage and use of voter data from the list of registered voters and specifying procedures and requirements relating to electronic signatures; establishing and altering certain provisions governing the petition process, including provisions regarding the collection and invalidation of signatures, use of electronic signatures, and attestations by petition circulators; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EL, §§ 3-506(a), 6-103(a), 6-203, 6-204, 6-210(c), (d), and (e), and 16-401 - amended and §§ 6-208.1 and 6-210(c) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1110 Delegates Kerr and Simpson

MARYLAND INTRASTATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT – CITY OF FREDERICK

Authorizing the City of Frederick to participate in the Maryland Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 14-801(e) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1111 Delegate Wims

CRIMINAL LAW – RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT – USE OF MOTOR VEHICLE

Repealing an exclusion of conduct involving the use of a motor vehicle applicable to the crime of reckless endangerment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 3-204 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1112 Delegate Charkoudian

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – ENERGY STORAGE DEVICES – ACQUISITION

Requiring the Public Service Commission to determine whether the deployment of energy storage devices could help to avoid or limit a reliability—must—run agreement with an energy generating system or facility in the State under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to facilitate the acquisition of energy storage devices under certain circumstances; and subjecting certain contracts entered into under the Act to a certain project labor agreement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, § 7-216.2 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1113 Delegate Rosenberg

ENVIRONMENT – DUST–LEAD HAZARD STANDARDS AND DUST–LEAD CLEARANCE LEVELS – ADOPTION

Requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt regulations to make the State dust-lead hazard standards and dust-lead clearance levels consistent with certain federal standards within 60 days after a regulation adopted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to lower acceptable dust-lead standards takes effect.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

EN, § 6-306 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1114 Delegate Terrasa, et al

REAL PROPERTY – LANDLORD AND TENANT – PROCEDURES FOR FAILURE TO PAY RENT, BREACH OF LEASE, AND TENANT HOLDING OVER

Requiring a landlord to provide certain notice to a tenant when a court has issued a warrant of restitution for a failure of a tenant to pay rent, a breach of lease, or a tenant holding over under certain circumstances; establishing certain procedures and requirements for the execution of a warrant for repossession; providing for the disposition of certain personal property following the execution of a warrant of restitution; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, §§ 8-401(f), (g), and (h), 8-402(b), and 8-402.1 - amended and 8-401(g) and 8-407 - added

HB 1115 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 information in a certain manner on the county board's website; requiring a certain transfer to be made only following the approval of the county commissioners or county council; providing for exemptions from certain requirements related to certain transfers; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 5-101(a) and (b), 5-102(e), 5-105(b), 5-109, and 5-111 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1116 Delegate Harrison

BUSINESS REGULATION – RESTAURANTS AND TRADERS – LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Repealing an exception for licensed restaurants to the requirement that a person who does business as a trader or an exhibitor have a trader's license.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, § 17-1803(d) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1117 Delegate Stewart

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; clarifying that certain mold hazards constitute dangerous conditions and defects for which a tenant may obtain relief; authorizing certain remedies for a tenant if a landlord breaches the warranty of habitability; 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

RP, § 8-211 - amended and § 8-212 - added

HB 1118 Harford County Delegation

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PERFORMING ARTS THEATER LICENSE

Altering eligibility for a performing arts theater license in Harford County by altering the definition of "performing arts theater" and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the license to a certain for—profit theater, rather than a nonprofit theater; authorizing the holder of the license to sell liquor for on—premises consumption in addition to beer and wine; and altering the license fee from \$500 to \$1,500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, §§ 22-1005.2 and 22-1501(b)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1119 Delegate Rosenberg

ALGORITHMIC ADDICTION FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Algorithmic Addiction Fund; providing that the Fund includes all revenue received by the State from a judgment against, or settlement with, technology conglomerates, technology companies, social media conglomerates, or social media companies relating to claims made by the State; requiring the Secretary of Health to develop certain goals, objectives and indicators relating to algorithmic addiction treatment and prevention efforts; requiring the Secretary to establish a certain grant program; etc.

CONTINGENT - EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. and 7-332 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Economic Matters

HB 1120 Delegate Woods, et al

STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS – APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZED SPONSORS

Requiring the State Board of Social Work Examiners to establish a process to review and approve certain persons as authorized sponsors of social work continuing education programs, subject to a requirement that at least one pathway for approval does not require an applicant to have the approval of a national or regional organization.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, § 19-205 - amended

HB 1121 Delegates Vogel and Tomlinson

PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOIDS AND OPIOID OVERDOSE REVERSAL DRUGS – INFORMATION

Requiring a licensed health care provider who prescribes or dispenses an opioid or an opioid overdose reversal drug, to provide certain information to the individual receiving the prescription; and authorizing a pharmacist to comply with the requirement by posting the information in a conspicuous location.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 13-35A-01 and 13-35A-02 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1122 Delegate Kerr

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – NURSING HOMES – ACQUISITIONS

Requiring a person, before making a contractual agreement for the acquisition of a nursing home, to submit a request for acquisition to the Maryland Health Care Commission and provide certain notice to residents and staff of the nursing home; establishing requirements regarding the approval or denial of a request for acquisition; providing for judicial review of a final decision of the Commission regarding a request for acquisition of a nursing home; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, $\S\S$ 19-114(a-1) and 19-120.2 - added and $\S\S$ 19-115, 19-120(k)(6)(ii), 19-1401.1, and 19-1401.2 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1123 Delegate Kerr

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – CYBERSECURITY FOR HOSPITALS

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to adopt minimum cybersecurity standards for hospitals and take certain other actions related to the cybersecurity of hospitals, including supporting hospitals that do not meet the minimum cybersecurity standards; requiring hospitals to comply with the cybersecurity standards adopted by the Commission; and requiring the Secretary of Health to consider cybersecurity standards for hospitals when issuing a license to a hospital.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-103 - amended and § 19-113 - added

HB 1124 Delegate Acevero

CIVIL ACTIONS – NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS – UNAUTHORIZED SUPPORT OF ISRAELI SETTLEMENT ACTIVITY (NOT ON OUR DIME ACT)

Prohibiting certain nonprofit organizations from aiding or abetting certain activity by the government of Israel or a citizen of Israel; authorizing the Attorney General or a certain person to bring a certain action against a nonprofit organization that violates the Act; and requiring the Secretary of State to remove a nonprofit organization from the Registry of Charitable Solicitation after receiving notice from the Attorney General or a prevailing plaintiff of a decision entered against a nonprofit organization.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-2301 - added Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1125 Delegate Kerr

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – LICENSING REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Exempting an individual who practices as a certain nursing assistant for less than 4 months under federal regulations from the State's certification requirement; altering the designation of, and licensure requirements for, certified nursing assistants and geriatric nursing assistants; requiring an applicant for certification as a certified nursing assistant to complete a nursing assistant competency evaluation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HG, §§ 19-1410(b)(2)(vi), 19-1410.2, and 24-1901(e) and HO, Various Sections - amended and HO, § 8-703(a)(5) - repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1126 Delegate Buckel

PUBLIC NUISANCE – COMMON CARRIERS – DAMAGE TO PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Prohibiting certain common carriers from damaging certain public infrastructure necessitating the closure of the infrastructure; establishing that a violation of the Act is a public nuisance; and authorizing the State or a local government to bring a civil action against a common carrier for a violation under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-2301 and 3-2302 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Economic Matters

HB 1127 Delegate Bartlett

SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED THROUGH TELEHEALTH – REIMBURSEMENT AND STUDY

Authorizing the reimbursement of a sexual assault forensic exam conducted through telehealth under certain circumstances; and requiring the Maryland Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Committee to conduct a study on the feasibility of a telehealth program that includes a pilot program for conducting sexual assault forensic examinations through telehealth; and requiring the Committee to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CP, § 11-1007 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1128 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – TALENT INNOVATION PROGRAM AND FUND

Establishing the Talent Innovation Program in the Maryland Department of Labor to increase access to high–quality job training by using innovative and sustainable talent financing mechanisms to help meet skill needs in the State's prominent and emerging industry sectors; and requiring the Department, beginning on January 1, 2025 and each January 1 thereafter, to report to the Governor, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House on Program activities and use of the Fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LE, §§ 11-1601 through 11-1604 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1129 Delegate Ruth, et al

WILDLIFE - PROTECTIONS AND HIGHWAY CROSSINGS

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources, in collaboration with the State Highway Administration, to identify and prioritize certain species whose habitat or movement corridors intersect with State highways and develop tools, technology, and techniques to identify certain State highway infrastructure locations; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to take certain actions regarding a statewide deer population survey on or before November 1, 2024, and June 30, 2026; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR and SF, Various Sections - amended and added and TR, § 17-302 - added Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1130 Delegate Martinez, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – U NONIMMIGRANT STATUS PETITION – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

Specifying that there is no statute of limitations for when a qualifying criminal activity must have occurred relative to the filing of a request for certification of victim helpfulness for a petition for U Nonimmigrant Status.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 11-931 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1131 Delegate Bagnall

ENVIRONMENT – MANAGED AQUIFER RECHARGE PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Managed Aquifer Recharge Pilot Program; and authorizing the Department of the Environment to review, permit, and regulate a process to test the use of treated reclaimed water from a demonstration facility as a source for groundwater augmentation under certain circumstances; and requiring by December 31 each year, the Department to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on any statutory or regulatory change the Department recommends.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 1-601(a) - amended and § 9-303.4 - added

HB 1132 Delegate M. Morgan, et al

DRUGS, BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS, AND DEVICES – OFF–LABEL USE – PROMOTION

Authorizing pharmaceutical manufacturers and representatives of pharmaceutical manufacturers to engage in the truthful promotion of off-label uses for drugs, biological products, and devices; and prohibiting certain persons from taking certain enforcement and disciplinary action against a manufacturer, representative pharmaceutical of a pharmaceutical manufacturer, or health care provider for engaging in a truthful promotion of an off-label use of a drug, biological product, or device.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 21-218.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1133 Delegate Wims, et al

PUBLIC UTILITIES – TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICE – ASSESSMENT CAP INCREASE

Increasing the cap on the assessment a county or municipal corporation may impose on each transportation network service from 25 cents per trip to 50 cents per trip.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, § 10-406(c) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1134 Delegates Bagnall and Lopez

HOSPITALS AND RELATED INSTITUTIONS – RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS – ACCREDITATION

Altering the definition of "accredited residential treatment center" for certain provisions of law governing hospitals and related institutions to include residential treatment centers accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities or the Council on Accreditation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 19-301(c) and (j) and 19-360(a) - amended

HB 1135 Delegate Wells

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – COMMUNITY BENEFIT PLAN ACT OF 2024

Requiring certain regulated financial institutions to develop a community benefit plan in connection with certain applications to the Commissioner of Financial Regulation relating to financial services; requiring the Commissioner to exercise certain oversight authority relating to the adequacy of the community benefit plans and attainment of goals under the plans; establishing the Community Reinvestment Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to finance certain community development activities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FI, Various Sections - added and amended and SF, \S 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended and \S 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1136 Delegate Boafo, et al

HUMAN SERVICES – YOUTH SERVICES BUREAUS – FUNDING (YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU RESTORATION ACT)

Repealing a requirement that a certain substance use disorder assessment and referral training be provided by a certain entity; repealing a requirement that youth services bureaus provide alternative leisure activities; repealing a requirement that the proposed budget of the Department of Human Services list eligible youth services bureaus and estimate the amount of State funds to allocate to each; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HU, § 9-233 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1137 Delegate Woods, et al

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE – REQUIRED COVERAGE FOR CALCIUM SCORE TESTING

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and insurers, nonprofit health service plans, health maintenance organizations, and managed care organizations to provide coverage for calcium score testing for individuals who have at least three of the following risk factors: diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, or a family history of premature coronary artery disease.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

HG, §§ 15-102.3(m) and 15-103(a)(2)(xxiv) and IN, § 15-861 - added and HG, § 15-103(a)(2)(xxii) and (xxiii) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1138 Delegate Rosenberg, et al

STATE FACILITIES – PROCEDURES FOR CHANGES AND CLOSURES – DEFINITION AND REPORTING

Specifying that requirements for purchasing, leasing, changing the use of, or closing State facilities apply to facilities owned, leased, or operated for the purpose of providing benefits to clients; and requiring the Department of Human Services, on or before August 1, 2024, to submit a report on any State facility owned, leased, or operated by the Department for the purpose of providing benefits to clients that was closed on or after January 1, 2023, to certain committees of the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, § 8-306 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1139 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 and each fiscal year thereafter.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 9.5-114 and Chapters 437 and 438 of the Acts of 2021, § 2 - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 1140 Delegate Smith

EDUCATION – VIRTUAL TUTORING SERVICES – APPLICANT REVIEW

Requiring a virtual tutoring service to require an applicant for a position involving direct contact with minors to submit certain information relating to child sexual abuse or sexual misconduct of the applicant; requiring certain former employers of an applicant to submit certain information to the virtual tutoring service; requiring a virtual tutoring service to review certain information submitted by an applicant before hiring the applicant; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 6-113.2 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1141 Delegate Kerr

HUMAN SERVICES – 2–1–1 AND 3–1–1 SYSTEMS – NONEMERGENCY INFORMATION AND REFERRALS

Establishing the Maryland 2–1–1 and 3–1–1 Board to take certain actions relating to the establishment of a statewide 3–1–1 system and county 3–1–1 systems and the integration of the 2–1–1 system into a statewide 2–1–1 and 3–1–1 system; establishing a statewide 3–1–1 system under the Department of Human Services to provide certain nonemergency information and referrals, subject to certain requirements; requiring a county to be responsible for certain costs and expenses associated with a county 3–1–1 system; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, §§ 24-1203 through 24-1205 - transferred and Various Sections - repealed and HU, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1142 Delegates Martinez and Williams

MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ENFORCEMENT OF LOCAL VACANT PROPERTY LAWS

Authorizing Montgomery County and Prince George's County to enforce certain local laws related to the maintenance of a vacant dwelling or building owned by a business entity by imposing certain civil and criminal fines and penalties of certain amounts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LG, § 12-905 - added

HB 1143 Delegate Bhandari, et al

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – MARYLAND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WAIT TIME REDUCTION COMMISSION AND STANDARDIZED PROTOCOLS – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Emergency Department Wait Time Reduction Commission in the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems to enhance the overall effectiveness and responsiveness of emergency medical services; requiring the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems, with the advice of the Commission, and in consultation with certain entities, to develop certain standardized operational protocols and establish a system for monitoring certain emergency department performance; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 13-509.1 and 13-509.2 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1144 Delegate Phillips, et al

CORRECTIONS – SEGREGATED HOUSING – LIMITATIONS

Altering a reporting requirement for correctional units relating to restrictive housing; requiring hearing officers and personnel involved with the supervision and care of individuals placed in restrictive housing to undergo certain training; and establishing guidelines and procedures for the placement of incarcerated individuals in certain types of segregated housing.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, § 9-614 - amended and §§ 10-1001 through 10-1003 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1145 Delegate Rogers, et al

WORKERS' COMPENSATION – OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE PRESUMPTIONS – HYPERTENSION

Establishing that certain firefighters, fire fighting instructors, rescue squad members, advanced life support unit members, and members of the Office of the State Fire Marshal demonstrate disablement for purposes of workers' compensation and are deemed to have hypertension for purposes of an occupational disease presumption for hypertension if certain requirements are met.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 9-503(a) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1146 Delegate Stein

COURTS – UNENFORCEABLE INDEMNITY AND COSTS OF DEFENSE AGREEMENTS

Providing that certain indemnity agreements and agreements to pay the costs of defense made in connection with an agreement for the management or operation of a building, a structure, an appurtenance, or an appliance are against public policy and are void and unenforceable.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-401(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1147 Delegate Guyton, et al

ENVIRONMENT – PLAYGROUND SURFACING MATERIALS – PROHIBITIONS

Prohibiting, on or after October 1, 2024, a person from using, supplying, selling, soliciting, or offering for sale playground surfacing materials that contain certain concentrations of PAH, PFAS, or lead for the construction or renovation of the ground surface of a playground in the State; prohibiting a county, municipality, or unit of local government from adopting any ordinance, rule, or regulation related to certain playground surfacing materials that is less stringent than the requirement of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 6-16A-01 through 6-16A-05 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1148 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – NOTICE TO CONSUMERS – OUT–OF–NETWORK STATUS (HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OUT–OF–NETWORK INFORMATION ACT)

Requiring out—of—network health care facilities to provide certain information to a consumer and obtain certain consent before providing a health care service; requiring that certain out—of—network status information be provided in a certain consent form; prohibiting an out—of—network health care facility from charging, billing, or attempting to collect an amount in excess of the consumer's in—network cost unless the consumer is provided certain notice and provided consent; and making a violation of the Act an unfair trade practice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended and CL, § 13-301(14)(xlii) and HG, §§ 19-2601 through 19-2604 - added

HB 1149 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)

HOSPITALS AND RELATED INSTITUTIONS – OUTPATIENT FACILITY FEES

HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Altering the definition of "hospital" to require a hospital located outside the State that provides outpatient services to patients in the State to provide a certain written notice regarding outpatient facility fees under certain circumstances; altering the required contents of the written notice regarding outpatient facility fees; and requiring the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission to study and make recommendations regarding hospital outpatient facility fees.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-349.2 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1150 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

CL, § 17-104 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1151 Delegate Phillips

STATE PROCUREMENT – PREFERRED PROVIDERS – REMOVAL OF MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES

Repealing certain provisions of law establishing Maryland Correctional Enterprises as a preferred provider of supplies and services for certain State procurements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, §§ 14-103, 14-106, and 14-107 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations

HB 1152 Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DISTRICT COUNCIL – COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENTS – AUTHORIZATION (COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACT) PG/MC 107–24

Authorizing the Prince George's County district council to require that a developer negotiate and enter into a community benefits agreement if at least 25% of the residents, landowners, or businesses within a 2-mile radius of the development site oppose the development; requiring the district council to enforce a community benefits agreement; and requiring the Prince George's County People's Zoning Counsel to represent community members impacted by the proposed development in a dispute over a community benefits agreement.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, § 25-214 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1153 Delegates Love and Ivey

ENVIRONMENT – WATER POLLUTION CONTROL – PROTECTING STATE WATERS FROM PFAS POLLUTION (PROTECTING STATE WATERS FROM PFAS POLLUTION ACT)

Establishing the discharge limit for PFAS chemicals in any water, including stormwater, discharged from a significant industrial user to be 4 parts per trillion; requiring a significant industrial user to reduce PFAS chemicals from the water it discharges to a publicly owned treatment works in a certain manner; requiring a significant industrial user to store, reuse, and dispose of certain PFAS chemicals in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 9-353 through 9-356 - added

HB 1154 Delegate Rosenberg, et al

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – OFFICE OF DOMESTIC TERRORISM RESPONSE

Establishing the Office of Domestic Terrorism Response within the Maryland Department of Emergency Management for the purpose of implementing measures to prepare for, prevent, and recover from domestic terrorism and hate crimes; requiring the Maryland Task Force on Preventing and Countering Domestic Terrorism to serve in an advisory role for the Office; and requiring the Department to report annually by December 1 to the Governor and the General Assembly on the Office's activities, proposed legislation, and required resources.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 14-104.3 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1155 Delegates Stewart and Buckel

HOSPITALS – OPIOID OVERDOSE – MEDICATION–ASSISTED TREATMENT

Requiring hospitals to establish and maintain certain protocols and capacity related to the treatment of patients who are being treated for an opioid–related overdose; requiring hospitals to connect patients who are administered or prescribed medication—assisted treatment to an appropriate provider to voluntarily continue treatment under certain circumstances; and requiring the Governor to include a certain appropriation in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 from the Opioid Restitution Fund.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-308.10 - added and SF, § 7-331 - amended

HB 1156 Delegates Stewart and Griffith

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER WIRE TRANSFERS – LIABILITY (ELDER FRAUD PREVENTION ACT OF 2024)

Exempting consumer wire transaction from certain provisions of the Maryland Uniform Commercial Code; limiting liability for damages resulting from consumer wire transfers; defining sufficient notice; requiring investigations; requiring decisions and materials be provided to a consumer; subjecting financial institutions to treble damages; subjecting financial institutions to liability for violation of the Act; prohibiting waiver of consumer rights under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 4A-108 - amended and §§ 12-1501 through 12-1507 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1157 Delegate Wilkins

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.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 18-27A-01 through 18-27A-06 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 1158 Delegates Kerr and Bagnall

STATE GOVERNMENT – ATTORNEY GENERAL – REPORTS

Altering certain reporting requirements for the Attorney General; and requiring the Attorney General to publish certain documents on the website of the Attorney General.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, §§ 6-106.1 and 6-108 - amended

HB 1159 Delegate Ebersole

STATE LOTTERY – INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES – VETERANS' AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

Authorizing the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to issue certain fraternal organizations a license for not more than five instant ticket lottery machines; altering the distribution of proceeds from instant ticket lottery machine sales by veterans' organizations; providing for the distribution of proceeds from instant ticket lottery machines sales by fraternal organizations; repealing a requirement that certain veterans' organizations purchase or lease certain machines; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, § 9-112 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1160 Delegate Wims

MOTOR VEHICLES – ALLOWING UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE AND RECKLESS, NEGLIGENT, AND AGGRESSIVE DRIVING

Altering the penalties for the offenses of allowing the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and reckless, negligent, and aggressive driving; and adding certain motor vehicle offenses as elements that may contribute to charges for reckless or aggressive driving.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 16-305, 21-901.1, and 21-901.2 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1161 Dorchester County Delegation

DORCHESTER COUNTY – SANITARY COMMISSION – TRANSFER OF POWERS TO COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorizing the Dorchester County Council to, by public local law, abolish the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission, establish a department of public facilities and services, and provide for the department's abilities and functions, subject to certain requirements; and transferring certain responsibilities from the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission to the Dorchester County Council.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, Various Sections - amended and § 9-629.1 - added and LG, § 12-104 - repealed

HB 1162 Delegate Rogers

9-1-1 SPECIALIST RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION WORKGROUP

Establishing the 9–1–1 Specialist Recruitment and Retention Workgroup; and requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024 and a final report on or before December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1163 Delegate Atterbeary

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

ED, § 21-302 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1164 Delegates Smith and Toles

NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – TRANSCRIPTS – PROHIBITION ON PUNITIVE MEASURES RELATED TO STUDENT DEBT

Prohibiting nonpublic schools that participate in State—funded education programs from refusing to provide a current or former student or the student's parent or guardian with a transcript or taking other punitive measures regarding a student's transcript request because the student owes a debt to the nonpublic school.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-118 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1165 Delegate Love, et al

STREAM AND WATERSHED RESTORATION – STREAM RESTORATION CONTRACTOR LICENSING AND CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS RESTORATION AND FUNDING (WHOLE WATERSHED ACT)

Establishing the Stream Restoration Contractors Licensing Board; requiring a person to be licensed as a stream restoration contractor or be employed by an individual or entity that is licensed as a stream restoration contractor before the person performs or solicits to perform stream restoration contractor services in the State, subject to a certain exception; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide notice of a certain violation to a stream restoration contractor; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AG, BR, EN, NR, SF, and SG, Various Sections - amended and EN, NR, SF, and SG, Various Sections - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1166 Delegate Hinebaugh

HANDGUNS – WEAR, CARRY, AND TRANSPORT LAWS – HANDBOOK PUBLICATION

Requiring the Secretary of State Police, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, to annually publish, beginning on October 1, 2024, a handbook summarizing State laws that apply to the wearing, carrying, and transporting of a handgun in public; requiring the Secretary to draft the handbook in plain language that can be easily understood without any special knowledge of the laws of the State; and requiring the Secretary to make copies of the handbook available to members of the public in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 5-306(a-3) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1167 Delegate Foley

MARYLAND CENTER FOR SCHOOL SAFETY – STATEWIDE SECURE SCHOOLS EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Statewide Secure Schools Emergency Response Program to be administered by the Maryland Center for School Safety to improve the safety and security of public schools in the State by implementing a certain emergency notification system; requiring the Center to ensure that the Program has been implemented in each public school in the State on or before September 1, 2026; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 an appropriation of \$4,500,000 for the Program.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, $\S 7-1502(g)(20)$ and (21) - amended and $\S\S 7-1502(g)(22)$ and 7-1513 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 1168 Delegate Kaiser, et al

HUMAN REMAINS – ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS AND NATURAL ORGANIC REDUCTION (GREEN DEATH CARE OPTIONS ACT)

Establishing a regulatory system for reduction operators and reduction facilities; establishing requirements and prohibitions related to the performance of alkaline hydrolysis and natural organic reduction and the disposition of hydrolyzed or soil remains by certain facilities; prohibiting a person from using or disposing of soil remains produced by natural organic reduction in a certain manner, including by using the soil to grow food for consumption by humans or livestock; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, HG, and HO, Various Sections - amended and BR, \S 5-901(d) and HO, \S 7-101(a-1), (l-1), (s-1), (v-1), and (v-2) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1169 Delegate Hinebaugh

EDUCATION - MINIMUM SCHOOL FUNDING - WAIVER

Providing for a waiver from minimum school funding requirements for schools with fewer than 300 students.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 5-234 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1170 Delegate Hinebaugh

GARRETT COUNTY - STATE'S ATTORNEY - SALARY ALTERATIONS

Establishing, beginning in 2026, the salary of the State's Attorney of Garrett County to be 80% of the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland; and repealing the authorization of the Garrett County Salary Study Commission to recommend and set the salary of the State's Attorney of Garett County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 15-412(b) and PLL of Garrett Co, Art. 12, § 32.43 - amended Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1171 Delegate Williams, et al

NONPRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND DEVICES – PROVISION BY REGISTERED NURSES AND SALE OF CONTRACEPTIVES THROUGH AUTOMATIC DEVICES

Repealing the prohibition on the sale of certain contraceptives by means of a vending machine or other automatic device; and authorizing registered nurses to provide, without a prescription, nonprescription drugs and devices in a local health department under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, §§ 10-104 and 10-105 - repealed and HG, § 3-403(b) and HO, § 8-512 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1172 Delegate Lopez

FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM – EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATION AND AWARENESS MATERIALS

Establishing requirements related to the certification of employment by public service employers under the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program, including requirements regarding determinations of whether employees are full—time and the frequency with which the certifications are to be provided; and requiring the Student Loan Ombudsman in the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to develop and disseminate information to increase awareness of and participation in the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

FI, § 2-104.1(e) - amended and LE, §§ 3-1801 through 3-1805 - added Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1173 Delegate Qi

TOBACCO PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS – ESCROW ACT – ALTERATIONS

Requiring, beginning in a certain year, a certain tobacco product manufacturer to pay a certain equity fee instead of depositing certain funds in a certain escrow account; authorizing a certain tobacco product manufacturer to contest the amount of the equity fee paid under certain circumstances; requiring a certain tobacco product manufacturer to make a certain certification to the Attorney General each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, §§ 16-401, 16-403, 16-501, 16-503, 16-504, and 16-506(e) - amended and § 16-404 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1174 Delegate Hill, et al

STATE GOVERNMENT – TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMISSION – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Technology Advisory Commission to study and make recommendations on technology and science developments and use in the State; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$100,000 for the Commission; and requiring the Commission to submit a report on its activities and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31 each year.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, §§ 9-3801 and 9-3802 - added

HB 1175 Delegate Feldmark

EDUCATION – PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES – SUBCONTRACTING FOR SERVICES

Prohibiting a public school employer from entering into a certain subcontracting agreement unless certain circumstances occur; specifying the requirements for a public school employer to enter into a certain subcontracting agreement; providing for the contents of certain subcontracting agreements; requiring that a certain public school employee who is displaced as a result of a subcontracting agreement retain certain status and rights; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, §§ 6-402 and 6-503 - amended and §§ 6-801 through 6-809 - added and SG, § 22-206(a)(10) and (11) - amended and § 22-206(a)(12) - added Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 1176 Delegate Cullison

HOME– AND COMMUNITY–BASED SERVICES WAIVER – ELIGIBILITY

Altering the financial eligibility criteria for the home— and community—based services waiver submitted by the Maryland Department of Health to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to include categorically needy individuals with an income disregard up to 300% of the Supplemental Security Income monthly benefit amount and a certain community spouse resource allowance; requiring the Department to adopt regulations to establish a timeline within which the Department is required to approve or deny the application of an applicant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 15-132 - amended

HB 1177 Delegate Hill, et al

CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES – SUBSCRIBER RIGHTS AND PROVIDER DUTIES

Providing that certain individuals, before signing a continuing care agreement, are entitled to a certain visit and certain information; authorizing subscribers in a continuing care retirement community to take certain actions and to participate in certain activities; requiring certain providers to undertake certain actions and to provide certain information; authorizing the establishment of a certain resident association under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HU, § 10-427 - amended and §§ 10-451 and 10-452 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 7, 2024

HJ 4 Delegates Bhandari and Allen

ALIGNING WITH THE BLUEPRINT FOR AN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BILL OF RIGHTS (MARYLAND SAFE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ACT)

Affirming the General Assembly of Maryland's commitment to aligning with President Joseph R. Biden's vision for the safe and responsible use of artificial intelligence, as delineated in the Blueprint for an Artificial Intelligence Bill of Rights.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HJ 5 Delegate Martinez, et al

COMMITMENT TO FREE SPEECH, ACADEMIC FREEDOM, AND OPEN PUBLIC DISCOURSE

Reaffirming the Maryland General Assembly's commitment to free speech, academic freedom, and open public discourse; and upholding the right of individuals to express views on matters of foreign policy.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 5, 2024

HB 642 Delegate Harrison

APPRENTICESHIPS IN LICENSED OCCUPATIONS ACT OF 2024

Requiring professional and occupational regulatory boards to issue licenses, certifications, and registrations to individuals who complete an apprenticeship program that is established under the Maryland Apprenticeships in Licensed Occupations Act, pass a certain examination, and pay a certain fee; authorizing the Maryland Department of Labor to develop a standard apprenticeship program for a licensed occupation or profession; and establishing a workgroup to establish group—sponsored apprenticeships in certain professions.

EMERGENCY BILL

AG, § 1-202, BOP, § 1-209, BR, § 1-211, EN, § 1-206, HO, § 1-229, and LE, §§ 11-1601 through 11-1605 - added

Reassigned to: Economic Matters and Health and Government Operations