



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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HB 502
Chapter 1

The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

**OFFICE OF DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT AND
POLICY AND MARYLAND AS A MODEL EMPLOYER INITIATIVE
– ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Office of Disability Employment Advancement and Policy within the Department of Disabilities; establishing the Maryland as a Model Employer Initiative within the Office of Disability Employment Advancement and Policy to facilitate efforts that improve outcomes in the hiring, recruitment, retention, and advancement of people with disabilities in the State government workforce; authorizing the Governor for fiscal year 2027, to include \$250,000 in the annual budget bill for the Office; etc.

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SB 749**Chapter 11****Senator Kramer****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE FOR FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND DENTAL APPLICANTS LICENSED OR CERTIFIED IN ANOTHER STATE**

Requiring the State Board of Dental Examiners to issue a license or certification to applicants licensed or certified by another state within 15 business days after receiving the completed application; requiring that a dental radiation technologist certified in another state be issued a certification by the State Board under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop a plan for certain authorization to practice a health occupation for persons who left federal employment after January 20, 2025; etc.

Except Section 1**HB 723****Chapter 12****Delegate Kerr****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE FOR FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND DENTAL APPLICANTS LICENSED OR CERTIFIED IN ANOTHER STATE**

Requiring the State Board of Dental Examiners to issue a license or certification to certain applicants licensed or certified by another state within 15 business days after receiving the completed application; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop a plan for a temporary or permanent authorization to practice a health occupation in the State for certain individuals who left employment with a federal agency after January 20, 2025; requiring the Department to submit the plan by October 1, 2025 to certain committees; etc.

Except Section 1**SB 138****Chapter 15****Senator Kagan****PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND 9–1–1 BOARD AND MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

Authorizing the Maryland 9–1–1 Board to adopt regulations to implement and enforce certain responsibilities of the Board; and authorizing the Maryland Department of Emergency Management to adopt regulations to implement and enforce the responsibilities of the Department.

HB 423**Chapter 16****Delegate Lopez****PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND 9–1–1 BOARD AND MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

Authorizing the Maryland 9–1–1 Board to adopt regulations to implement and enforce certain responsibilities of the Board; and authorizing the Maryland Department of Emergency Management to adopt regulations to implement and enforce the responsibilities of the Department.

HB 514**Chapter 21****Delegate Hill, et al****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS – REVISIONS**

Altering certain provisions of law governing the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the practice of chiropractic in the State related to Board membership, licensure of chiropractors, the discipline of chiropractors, and the denial of licenses to applicants; authorizing the Board to inspect chiropractor offices under certain circumstances; and requiring the Board to require a licensee or applicant to submit to an examination by a health care provider under certain circumstances.

SB 52**Chapter 22****Senator Augustine****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS – REVISIONS**

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- HB 94**
Chapter 27 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**
- OPIOID–ASSOCIATED DISEASE PREVENTION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS – APPEALS AND MEMBERSHIP OF STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- Authorizing a local health department or community–based organization to appeal to the Secretary of Health or the Secretary’s designee rather than to the Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services, an adverse decision of the Maryland Department of Health and a local health officer regarding an application for authorization to operate an Opioid–Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Program; etc.
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- SB 224**
Chapter 28 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**
- OPIOID–ASSOCIATED DISEASE PREVENTION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS – APPEALS AND MEMBERSHIP OF STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- Authorizing a local health department or community–based organization to appeal to the Secretary of Health or the Secretary’s designee rather than to the Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services, an adverse decision of the Maryland Department of Health and a local health officer regarding an application for authorization to operate an Opioid–Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Program; etc.
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- HB 170**
Chapter 29 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**
- HEALTH – MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH POPULATION HEALTH IMPROVEMENT FUND – USE
- Altering from December 31, 2025, to December 31, 2027, the date through which the Maternal and Child Health Population Health Improvement Fund may be used for expenses associated with maternal and child health population health improvements.

SB 213**Chapter 30****Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)****HEALTH – MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH POPULATION
HEALTH IMPROVEMENT FUND – USE**

Altering from December 31, 2025, to December 31, 2027, the date through which the Maternal and Child Health Population Health Improvement Fund may be used for expenses associated with maternal and child health population health improvements.

SB 315**Chapter 47****Senators Brooks and Kagan****MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE – MEMBERSHIP OF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the composition of the Board of Directors of the Maryland Environmental Service; and providing that certain provisions of law relating to terms of members of the Board do not apply to the Secretary of Planning, certain legislative members, and the Executive Director.

HB 344**Chapter 48****Delegates Stein and Lehman****MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE – MEMBERSHIP OF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the composition of the Board of Directors of the Maryland Environmental Service to include the Secretary of Planning or a designee and, as nonvoting members, one member from the Senate of Maryland and one from the Maryland House of Delegates; and providing that certain provisions of law relating to terms of members of the Board do not apply to the Secretary of Planning, certain legislative members, and the Executive Director.

HB 12 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 57 **Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission)**

CANNABIS – SALE AND DISTRIBUTION –
TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL OFFENSES

Authorizing the officers and employees of the Field Enforcement Division of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission to issue a citation for a violation of § 10–108 of the Criminal Law Article; prohibiting the sale or distribution of certain products that contain tetrahydrocannabinol or are advertised as containing tetrahydrocannabinol; authorizing the Executive Director of the Commission to seize, destroy, or confiscate a certain unlawful product; etc.

SB 214 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Alcohol,**
Chapter 58 **Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission)**

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TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL OFFENSES

Authorizing the officers and employees of the Field Enforcement Division of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission to issue a citation for a violation of § 10–108 of the Criminal Law Article; prohibiting the sale or distribution of certain products that contain tetrahydrocannabinol or are advertised as containing tetrahydrocannabinol; authorizing the Executive Director of the Commission to seize, destroy, or confiscate a certain unlawful product; etc.

HB 276 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 77 **Departmental – General Services)**

STATE GOVERNMENT – FORMS – REPORTING REQUIREMENT –
REPEAL

Repealing a requirement that certain departments or units of State government annually submit a report on the management of forms to the Department of General Services.

- SB 260**
Chapter 78 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – General Services)**
- STATE GOVERNMENT – FORMS – REPORTING REQUIREMENT – REPEAL
- Repealing a requirement that certain departments or units of State government annually submit a report on the management of forms to the Department of General Services.
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- HB 239**
Chapter 79 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Secretary of State)**
- CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS – LATE FEES AND REGISTRATION – SUSPENSION AND CANCELLATION REQUIREMENTS
- Authorizing the Secretary of State to suspend payment of certain late fees assessed to certain charitable organizations that fail to file an annual report under certain circumstances; and authorizing the Secretary of State to cancel a charitable organization’s registration or reinstate a charitable organization’s canceled registration under certain circumstances.
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- SB 184**
Chapter 80 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Secretary of State)**
- CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS – LATE FEES AND REGISTRATION – SUSPENSION AND CANCELLATION REQUIREMENTS
- Authorizing the Secretary of State to suspend payment of certain late fees assessed to certain charitable organizations under certain circumstances; and authorizing the Secretary of State to cancel a charitable organization’s registration or reinstate a charitable organization’s canceled registration under certain circumstances.

HB 33
Chapter 93**Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Service and Civic Innovation)****DEPARTMENT OF SERVICE AND CIVIC INNOVATION – MARYLAND CORPS PROGRAM SERVICE YEAR OPTION PATHWAYS – REVISIONS**

Altering the duties of the Department of Service and Civic Innovation; renaming the Governor’s Volunteer Council to be the Governor’s Commission on Service and Volunteerism; altering certain requirements relating to qualifications for applicants and compensation for participants in the Young Adult Service Year Option Pathway and the Maryland Service Year Option Pathway; altering certain reporting requirements; and repealing the Executive Fellows Program.

SB 248
Chapter 94**Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Service and Civic Innovation)****DEPARTMENT OF SERVICE AND CIVIC INNOVATION – MARYLAND CORPS PROGRAM SERVICE YEAR OPTION PATHWAYS – REVISIONS**

Altering the duties of the Department of Service and Civic Innovation; renaming the Governor’s Volunteer Council to be the Governor’s Commission on Service and Volunteerism; altering certain requirements relating to qualifications for applicants and compensation for participants in the Young Adult Service Year Option Pathway and the Maryland Service Year Option Pathway; altering certain reporting requirements; and repealing the Executive Fellows Program.

SB 285
Chapter 98 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**

MARYLAND PROTECTING OPPORTUNITIES AND REGIONAL
TRADE (PORT) ACT – REPORTS OF ATTORNEY GENERAL –
FREQUENCY

Altering from each month to every 6 months the frequency with which the Attorney General is required to report to the General Assembly regarding the status of the recovery of economic damages arising from the closure of the Helen Delich Bentley Port of Baltimore and the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge; and requiring the Attorney General to pursue all available options, including filing actions against the applicable parties, to recover all possible economic damages arising from the Port closure and the Bridge collapse.

HB 575
Chapter 99 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**

MARYLAND PROTECTING OPPORTUNITIES AND REGIONAL
TRADE (PORT) ACT – REPORTS OF ATTORNEY GENERAL –
FREQUENCY

Altering the frequency, from every month to every 6 months, of the reports required to be submitted by the Attorney General to the General Assembly regarding the status of the recovery of economic damages arising from the closure of the Helen Delich Bentley Port of Baltimore and the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge.

HB 956
Chapter 105 **Delegate Wilson**

CONSUMER PROTECTION – WORKGROUP ON ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE IMPLEMENTATION

Establishing the Workgroup on Artificial Intelligence Implementation; requiring the Workgroup to monitor and make recommendations related to the regulation of artificial intelligence, consumer protection, current private sector use of artificial intelligence, enforcement authority for the Office of the Attorney General's Office of Consumer Protection, and impact in the determination of government benefits; and requiring the Workgroup to make its recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly by July 1, 2026.

SB 305 **Senators Beidle and Hettleman****Chapter 117****FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND ACTIVITIES – VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSKS – REGISTRATION AND REGULATION**

Establishing registration and operating requirements for a virtual currency kiosk operator to operate a virtual currency kiosk in the State; authorizing the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to investigate and enforce the Act in a certain manner; and authorizing the Commissioner to assess against a virtual currency kiosk operator a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000 for each knowing and willful violation of the Act.

SB 215 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Maryland Cannabis Administration)**
Chapter 120**CANNABIS REFORM – REVISIONS**

Extending the time period from July 1, 2025, to July 1, 2026, during which a holder of a certain cannabis dispensary license may continue to deliver medical cannabis; limiting application submissions for on-site consumption licenses to social equity applicants under certain circumstances; authorizing a political subdivision to establish hours of operation for on-site consumption establishments; providing that a certain food sales exemption from the sales and use tax does not apply to the sale of certain cannabinoid beverages; etc.

SB 621 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judiciary)**
Chapter 141**COURTROOM SECURITY – MINIMUM ADEQUATE SECURITY**

Requiring each law enforcement agency, department, or entity providing security at a courthouse facility to submit a report by September 30, 2025, to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland; requiring the report include the current number of court security officers available, the minimum number needed to meet adequate security standards, the current number of vacancies and a viable plan to meet minimum adequate security standards as identified in the Act; etc.

SB 1039**Chapter 144****Senator Sydnor****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 5 BREWERIES – ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION**

Increasing the percentage of beer not produced by the holder of a Class 5 brewery license that the license holder is permitted to sell for on-premises consumption if the holder also holds an applicable on-site consumption permit or a Class D license.

HB 209**Chapter 166****Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Information Technology)****STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – LOCAL CYBERSECURITY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PLAN AND ASSESSMENT – REPEAL**

Repealing a duplicative provision of law requiring each county government, local school system, and local health department, in consultation with the local emergency manager, to create or update a cybersecurity preparedness and response plan and complete a cybersecurity preparedness assessment in a manner and frequency established by the Department of Information Technology.

SB 239**Chapter 167****Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Information Technology)****STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – LOCAL CYBERSECURITY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PLAN AND ASSESSMENT – REPEAL**

Repealing a duplicative provision of law requiring each county government, local school system, and local health department, in consultation with the local emergency manager, to create or update a cybersecurity preparedness and response plan and complete a cybersecurity preparedness assessment in a manner and frequency established by the Department of Information Technology.

HB 397
Chapter 173**Delegate D. Jones, et al****MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCE-BASED
INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – OYSTER
SHUCKING HOUSE LOAN PROGRAM**

Altering a certain loan program to authorize the Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation to provide loans in an amount up to \$25,000 for certain seasonal full-time jobs; and reducing, from 5 years to 3 years, the number of years that a person must have been a licensed seafood dealer in order to be eligible to receive financing under the loan program.

SB 363
Chapter 174**Senator Bailey****MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCE-BASED
INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – OYSTER
SHUCKING HOUSE LOAN PROGRAM**

Altering a certain loan program to authorize the Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation to provide loans in an amount up to \$25,000 for certain seasonal full-time jobs; and reducing, from 5 years to 3 years, the number of years that a person must have been a licensed seafood dealer in order to be eligible to receive financing under the loan program.

HB 1450
Chapter 200**Delegate Qi****MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH AND
TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER INCENTIVE PROGRAM –
ALTERATIONS**

Repealing certain provisions of law specifying certain limitations on awards or investments provided to certain small businesses under the Maryland Small Business Innovation Research and Technology Transfer Incentive Program.

SB 302**Chapter 201****Senator Lam****MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER INCENTIVE PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS**

Repealing certain provisions of law specifying certain limitations on awards or investments provided to certain small businesses under the Maryland Small Business Innovation Research and Technology Transfer Incentive Program.

HB 979**Chapter 210****Delegate A. Johnson, et al****MARYLAND SELF-SERVICE STORAGE ACT – SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN SATISFACTION OF LIEN – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a certain operator of a certain self-service storage facility to notify at least 10 days prior to conducting a sale of an occupant's personal property stored in certain leased space at the self-service storage facility of the time, place, and terms of the sale by hand delivery, verified mail, or electronic mail at the occupant's last known address.

SB 844**Chapter 211****Senators Hershey and Lam****MARYLAND SELF-SERVICE STORAGE ACT – SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN SATISFACTION OF LIEN – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring an operator of a certain self-service storage facility to notify an occupant in default at least 10 days before conducting a sale of the occupant's property stored in the self-storage facility of the time, place, and terms of the sale by hand delivery, verified mail, or electronic mail at the occupant's last known address; and requiring the operator of a self-storage facility to send a second notice if no response has been received 5 days prior to the sale.

HB 799**Chapter 217****Delegate Vogel, et al****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND INNOVATION INITIATIVE INSTITUTION PARTNERSHIP EXTENSION PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Maryland Innovation Initiative Institution Partnership Extension Program to expand opportunities for technology validation, entrepreneurial development, and industry engagement at eligible institutions; establishing eligibility criteria for project proposals to receive funding under the Program; authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation of \$250,000 in the annual budget bill for fiscal years 2027 and 2028 for the Program; and altering the purpose and contents of the Maryland Innovation Initiative Fund.

SB 867**Chapter 218****Senator Hester****CYBER MARYLAND PROGRAM – REVISIONS**

Transferring the Cyber Maryland Program from the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to the Maryland Department of Labor; altering the duties of the Program; requiring the Program to issue competitive grants and contracts beginning in fiscal year 2026, to enhance cybersecurity workforce development, including cybersecurity for operational technology; authorizing the Governor for fiscal year 2027 and each fiscal year thereafter to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation sufficient to run the program; etc.

SB 360**Chapter 219****Senators Hester and Smith****REVENGE PORN – DEFINITION OF VISUAL REPRESENTATION AND CIVIL ACTION**

Defining the term “visual representation” as it relates to the crime of revenge porn to be an unaltered image of the person or an image created with or without using other existing depictions of the person that is indistinguishable from the person, from the perspective of an ordinary person; and authorizing a person to bring a civil action for revenge porn.

- HB 315**
Chapter 220 **Delegates Cardin and Conaway**
TASK FORCE TO STUDY FIDUCIARY ADJUDICATION IN MARYLAND
Establishing the Task Force to Study Fiduciary Adjudication in Maryland to examine and analyze the efficiency, uniformity, and quality of fiduciary adjudication in Maryland and make recommendations; requiring the orphans' courts, circuit courts, registers of wills, and Administrative Office of the Courts to comply with certain requests of the Task Force; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and make recommendations on or before January 1, 2026.
- SB 204**
Chapter 230 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**
PROPERTY TAX – DEADLINE TO SET COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATION TAX RATES – ALTERATION
Altering, from July 1 to June 20, the deadline by which the governing body of a county or municipal corporation is required to set its property tax rate for the next taxable year.
- HB 127**
Chapter 232 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)**
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM – LOCAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION
Expanding the entities eligible to administer local rehabilitation programs to include certain nonprofit sponsors.
- SB 238**
Chapter 233 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)**
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM – LOCAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION
Expanding the entities eligible to administer local rehabilitation programs to include certain nonprofit sponsors.

HB 1228
Chapter 235**Montgomery County Delegation****DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – MONTGOMERY COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL RESERVE STUDY MC 15–25**

Requiring the Department of Commerce, in coordination with certain county agencies and organizations, to study economic development in and the tourist and visitor economy of the Montgomery County Agricultural Reserve and, on or before June 30, 2026, report its findings to the members of the Montgomery County Delegation to the General Assembly; and requiring the Department to make recommendations regarding policies and programs that can help promote and preserve the Montgomery County Agricultural Reserve.

HB 504
Chapter 237**The Speaker (By Request – Administration)****EXCELLENCE IN MARYLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS ACT**

Authorizing local governing bodies to exceed certain tax and revenue limitations for a certain purpose; altering the source of funds for the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future Fund to include the interest earnings of the Academic Excellence Fund; authorizing the Department to establish a national teacher recruitment campaign; establishing the Academic Excellence Program in the Department to address critical academic needs in public schools; requiring local school systems to develop certain countywide community school implementation plans; etc.

HB 185
Chapter 238**Delegate Mireku–North, et al****THERAPEUTIC CHILD CARE GRANT PROGRAM – FUNDING –
ALTERATIONS**

Altering the fiscal years to include fiscal year 2027 through fiscal year 2029, during which the Governor is required to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$3,700,000 to the Therapeutic Child Care Grant Program.

SB 359**Chapter 239****Senator King****THERAPEUTIC CHILD CARE GRANT PROGRAM – FUNDING – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the fiscal years from 2023 through 2025, and for each of fiscal years 2027 through 2029, during which the Governor is required to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$3,700,000 to the Therapeutic Child Care Grant Program.

HB 197**Chapter 240****Delegate Pasteur, et al****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – RESTORATIVE PRACTICES SCHOOLS – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Requiring the State Department of Education to develop a comprehensive plan by July 1, 2026, for the establishment of Restorative Practices Schools which integrate restorative practices into daily practices and activities of the whole school; requiring a county board of education to use the comprehensive plan if the county board chooses to establish a Restorative Practices School; and requiring the Department to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2026, on the comprehensive plan for Restorative Practices Schools.

SB 68**Chapter 241****Senators Brooks and A. Washington****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – RESTORATIVE PRACTICES SCHOOLS – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Requiring the State Department of Education to develop a comprehensive plan by July 1, 2026, for the establishment of Restorative Practices Schools which integrate restorative practices into daily practices and activities of the whole school; requiring a county board of education to use the comprehensive plan if the county board chooses to establish a Restorative Practices School; and requiring the Department to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2026 on the comprehensive plan for Restorative Practices Schools.

SB 880**Chapter 242****Senator Guzzone, et al****GOVERNOR’S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN – BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF MARYLAND – GRANT FUNDING**

Requiring the Governor to include \$250,000 in the annual budget bill for fiscal years 2027 through 2030 to the Governor’s Office for Children to provide grants to fund operating expenses for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Maryland.

HB 879**Chapter 243****Delegate Smith, et al****TASK FORCE TO IMPROVE ATTENDANCE AND REDUCE CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM IN SCHOOLS**

Establishing the Task Force to Improve Attendance and Reduce Chronic Absenteeism in Schools for the purpose of studying and making recommendations on practices to identify, prevent, and eliminate chronic absenteeism by students from schools in the State; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2025.

HB 161**Chapter 245****Delegates Atterbeary and Fair****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – CURRICULUM GUIDES AND COURSES OF STUDY – DISCREPANCIES**

Requiring each county board of education to adopt curriculum guides and courses of study aligned with content standards established by the State Department of Education; establishing a process for correcting discrepancies identified by the State Superintendent of Schools in a county board’s curriculum guides and courses of study, including the imposition of certain penalties; requiring the Department, in consultation with certain teachers, to develop content and curriculum standards and resources for each subject at each grade level; etc.

SB 310**Chapter 246****Senator Simonaire****EDUCATION – YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION SCHOOL PROGRAM – REVISIONS**

Altering the requirements of the Youth Suicide Prevention School Program to increase pupil awareness of the relationship between gambling and youth suicide.

SB 276
Chapter 255**Senator Simonaire, et al****EDUCATIONAL EQUALITY FOR SERVICE MEMBERS ACT**

Establishing rules of interpretation related to the uniformed services; altering the rule of interpretation for “veteran”; and altering the application of certain provisions of law governing education to apply to all uniformed services, rather than only the armed forces.

HB 600
Chapter 256**Delegate Patterson, et al****EDUCATIONAL EQUALITY FOR SERVICE MEMBERS ACT**

Establishing rules of interpretation related to the uniformed services; altering the rule of interpretation for “veteran”; and altering the application of certain provisions of law governing education to apply to all uniformed services, rather than only the armed forces.

HB 691
Chapter 257**Delegate Patterson, et al****TAX RELIEF AND STATE PERSONNEL EQUALITY FOR SERVICE MEMBERS ACT**

Establishing rules of interpretation related to the uniformed services; altering the rule of interpretation for “veteran”; and altering the application of certain provisions of law governing personnel and taxation to apply to all uniformed services, rather than only the armed forces.

SB 278
Chapter 258**Senator Simonaire, et al****TAX RELIEF AND STATE PERSONNEL EQUALITY FOR SERVICE MEMBERS ACT**

Establishing rules of interpretation related to the uniformed services; altering the rule of interpretation for “veteran”; and altering the application of certain provisions of law governing personnel and taxation to apply to all uniformed services, rather than only the armed forces.

SB 257 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By**
Chapter 279 **Request – Departmental – State Board of Elections)**

ELECTION LAW – NOTICE TO PERMANENT ABSENTEE VOTERS

Altering the time before an election when a certain notice is required to be sent to each voter who is on the permanent absentee ballot list; repealing a requirement that the notice be sent to each voter who is on the permanent absentee ballot list as of a certain date; and altering the action the State Board of Elections is required to take if the State Board is unable to contact a voter who is on the permanent absentee ballot list using the method of communication chosen by the voter.

HB 199 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 280 **State Board of Elections)**

ELECTION LAW – NOTICE TO PERMANENT ABSENTEE VOTERS

Altering the time before an election when a certain notice is required to be sent to each voter who is on the permanent absentee ballot list; repealing a requirement that the notice be sent to each voter who is on the permanent absentee ballot list as of a certain date; and altering the action the State Board of Elections is required to take if the State Board is unable to contact a voter who is on the permanent absentee ballot list using the method of communication chosen by the voter.

SB 259 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By**
Chapter 281 **Request – Departmental – State Board of Elections)**

**ELECTION LAW – LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS – ELECTION
PLAN REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a local board of elections to submit an election plan to the State Board of Elections for approval at least 7 months before each statewide primary election; establishing requirements related to an election plan; and altering the requirements related to polling place plans, ballot drop box plans, and early voting center plans.

HB 41
Chapter 282 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Board of Elections)**

ELECTION LAW – PETITIONS FOR THE FORMATION OF A NEW POLITICAL PARTY – PROCESS

Altering the time periods during which a petition for the formation of a new political party or additional signatures to a petition may not be filed; and prohibiting signatures submitted with a petition that was officially determined as not meeting certain legal requirements from being resubmitted with a subsequent petition.

SB 267
Chapter 283 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Board of Elections)**

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Altering the time periods during which a petition for the formation of a new political party or additional signatures to a petition may not be filed; and prohibiting signatures submitted with a petition that was officially determined as not meeting certain legal requirements from being resubmitted with a subsequent petition.

HB 477
Chapter 287 **Delegates Barnes and McCaskill**

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES AND CHILD CARE CENTERS – REGULATORY ANALYSIS

Requiring the State Department of Education to conduct a thorough analysis of the State’s regulatory framework for child care facilities with particular emphasis on regulations that limit a person’s ability to register a child care facility, receive a license to operate a child care center, or operate a child care facility in a profitable manner while providing quality care; and requiring an interim and final report be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2026, and September 1, 2026, respectively.

SB 666**Chapter 288****Senator Guzzone****MARYLAND COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES – FUNDING**

Requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of \$250,000 in the annual budget bill to the Department of Housing and Community Development in fiscal years 2027 through 2030 as a grant to community action agencies statewide for measures to combat poverty.

SB 667**Chapter 289****Senator Guzzone****GAMING – SLOT MACHINES – SKILLS–BASED AMUSEMENT DEVICES**

Altering the definition of “slot machine” to provide that certain skills–based amusement devices excluded from the definition may award merchandise, tickets, tokens, or other objects that do not exceed a certain minimal value per play and may be accumulated and exchanged for merchandise or prizes that do not exceed a minimal wholesale value of \$599.

HB 633**Chapter 290****Delegate Atterbeary****GAMING – SLOT MACHINES – SKILLS–BASED AMUSEMENT DEVICES**

Altering the definition of “slot machine” to provide that certain skills–based amusement devices excluded from the definition may award merchandise, tickets, tokens, or other objects that do not exceed a certain minimal value per play and may be accumulated and exchanged for noncash merchandise or prizes of value that is similar to the cumulated value of the objects exchanged, and does not exceed a minimal wholesale value of \$599.

SB 674**Chapter 293****Senator Hettleman****MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN – MARYLAND COLLABORATIVE TO ADVANCE IMPLEMENTATION OF COVERAGE OF OVER-THE-COUNTER BIRTH CONTROL**

Requiring the Maryland Commission for Women to establish the Maryland Collaborative to Advance Implementation of Coverage of Over-the-Counter Birth Control to study access to over-the-counter birth control; and requiring the Collaborative to submit an interim report by January 1, 2026, and a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2027.

HB 939**Chapter 294****Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al****MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN – MARYLAND COLLABORATIVE TO ADVANCE IMPLEMENTATION OF COVERAGE OF OVER-THE-COUNTER BIRTH CONTROL**

Requiring the Maryland Commission for Women to establish the Maryland Collaborative to Advance Implementation of Coverage of Over-the-Counter Birth Control to study access to over-the-counter birth control; and requiring the Collaborative to submit an interim report by January 1, 2026, and a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2027.

HB 324**Chapter 301****Delegates Korman and Atterbeary****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – ANTIBIAS TRAINING FOR MEMBERS – REQUIREMENT (COUNTY BOARD MEMBER ANTIBIAS TRAINING ACT)**

Requiring each member of a county board of education to complete certain antibias training at least once during the member's term.

SB 293**Chapter 302****Senator Feldman, et al****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – ANTIBIAS TRAINING FOR MEMBERS – REQUIREMENT (COUNTY BOARD MEMBER ANTIBIAS TRAINING ACT)**

Requiring each member of a county board of education to complete certain antibias training at least once during the member's term; and requiring that the antibias training be conducted separately from certain other required public school employee training.

SB 633**Chapter 313****Senator Kagan****CAMPAIGN FINANCE – POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS – DISCLOSURES ON SOLICITATIONS (STOP SCAM PACS ACT)**

Requiring certain political organizations to include certain disclaimers and disclosures on certain solicitations; authorizing the State Administrator of Elections to investigate a potential violation of the Act; and authorizing the State Board after the issuance of a public report of its finding to prohibit a person who violated the Act from making further solicitations for a certain period or impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000.

HB 71**Chapter 317****Delegate Edelson****EDUCATION – HOLOCAUST EDUCATION ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Holocaust Education Assistance Grant Program in the State Department of Education to assist local school systems with Holocaust education in public schools; authorizing a local school system to apply to the Department for a grant from the Program to be used for teacher training or teaching materials; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$50,000 for the Program.

SB 252 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By**
Chapter 318 **Request – Departmental – Education)**

CHILD CARE CENTERS – CERTIFICATED STAFF RATIO
REQUIREMENT – ALTERATION

Altering a requirement that a child care center that has 20 or more children have in attendance a certain ratio of staff to children who hold a certificate in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation under certain circumstances.

HB 150 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 319 **Education)**

CHILD CARE CENTERS – CERTIFICATED STAFF RATIO
REQUIREMENT – ALTERATION

Altering a requirement that a child care center that has 20 or more children have in attendance a certain ratio, set by the Department, of staff to children who hold a certificate in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation under certain circumstances.

SB 789 **Senator M. Washington, et al**
Chapter 322

HIGHER EDUCATION – HUNGER-FREE CAMPUS GRANT
PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to designate certain private institutions of higher education as hunger-free campuses; prohibiting a 4-year or 2-year private institution of higher education or a regional higher education center operated by a private nonprofit institution of higher education from being eligible to receive grant funding under the Hunger-Free Campus Grant Program; and authorizing the Governor in certain fiscal years to include \$150,000 in the annual budget bill for the Program.

HB 774**Chapter 323****Delegate Davis****HIGHER EDUCATION – HUNGER-FREE CAMPUS GRANT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to designate certain private institutions of higher education as hunger-free campuses; and prohibiting certain private institutions of higher education from being eligible to receive grant funding under the Hunger-Free Campus Grant Program.

HB 795**Chapter 324****Delegate Spiegel, et al****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 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.

HB 678**Chapter 325****Delegate Spiegel, et al****MARYLAND DEAF CULTURE DIGITAL LIBRARY – FUNDING AND BUDGET SUBMISSION**

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$450,000 to the Maryland Deaf Culture Digital Library; and requiring the Deaf Culture Digital Library to submit its annual operating budget to the State Library Agency on or before June 1 each year.

SB 358**Chapter 326****Senator King****MARYLAND DEAF CULTURE DIGITAL LIBRARY – FUNDING AND BUDGET SUBMISSION**

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$450,000 to the Maryland Deaf Culture Digital Library; and requiring the Deaf Culture Digital Library to submit its annual operating budget to the State Library Agency on or before June 1 each year.

SB 451**Chapter 327****Senator King, et al****ADULT EDUCATION – HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA BY EXAMINATION – REQUIREMENTS AND STUDY**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to allow an individual to take all components of the General Educational Development Test in either English or Spanish; and requiring the Department to study the feasibility and cost of offering the examination in additional languages and to report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2026.

HB 325**Chapter 328****Delegate Wims, et al****ADULT EDUCATION – HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA BY EXAMINATION – REQUIREMENTS AND STUDY**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to allow an individual to choose to take all components of the General Educational Development Test in either English or Spanish; and requiring the Department to study the feasibility and cost of offering the examination in additional languages and to report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2026.

SB 1000
Chapter 332**Senator Hettleman****GAMING – SPORTS WAGERING – SPORTS WAGERING FACILITY LICENSEES**

Authorizing certain sports wagering facility licensees to submit a written request to the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to relocate the sports wagering facility if the facility was originally issued a Class B sports wagering facility license on or before September 30, 2023, and meets certain requirements; authorizing certain sports wagering facility licensees to utilize certain branding and loyalty rewards programs; prohibiting the sports wagering facility licensee from allowing certain account wallet utilization; etc.

HB 1543
Chapter 333**Delegate Stein****GAMING – SPORTS WAGERING FACILITIES – REQUEST FOR RELOCATION**

Authorizing certain sports wagering facility licensees to submit a written request to the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to relocate the sports wagering facility if the facility was originally issued a Class B sports wagering facility license on or before September 30, 2023, and the new location is in the same county, complies with certain location requirements, and is approved by the Sports Wagering Application Review Commission.

SB 511
Chapter 335**Senator Henson****PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS – PREGNANT AND PARENTING STUDENTS – PLAN REQUIREMENTS (PREGNANT AND PARENTING STUDENT SUPPORT ACT)**

Requiring certain public senior higher education institutions to adopt a plan regarding pregnant and parenting students to include referral to on-campus or off-campus services to assist regarding the availability of or eligibility for certain government assistance programs and any other programs, scholarships, or subsidies that may be available for pregnant and parenting students; and requiring each public senior higher education institution to post the plan on the institution's website on or before August 1, 2026.

HB 840
Chapter 336**Delegate McCaskill, et al****PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS –
PREGNANT AND PARENTING STUDENTS – PLAN
REQUIREMENTS (PREGNANT AND PARENTING STUDENT
SUPPORT ACT)**

Requiring certain public senior higher education institutions to adopt a plan regarding pregnant and parenting students to include referral to on-campus or off-campus services to assist regarding the availability of or eligibility for certain government assistance programs and any other programs, scholarships, or subsidies that may be available for pregnant and parenting students; and requiring each public senior higher education institution to post the plan on the institution's website on or before August 1, 2026.

HB 888
Chapter 337**Delegate Fair, et al****EDUCATION – INITIAL TEACHER CERTIFICATION –
QUALIFICATIONS**

Altering the qualifications for an initial teacher certificate to include passing a portfolio-based assessment of a nationally accredited teacher preparation program.

HB 1204
Chapter 339**Delegate Patterson, et al****PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT ELOPEMENT –
NOTICE AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS (ACE'S LAW)**

Requiring certain public and nonpublic schools to notify a parent or guardian if a student attempts or accomplishes an elopement, the act of leaving the school campus without permission; requiring certain schools and individualized education program teams to review and address with relevant stakeholders certain behavior in updating a student's individualized education program or behavior intervention plan; etc.

HB 618
Chapter 340**Delegate Patterson****STATE LOTTERY – INTERNET SALES OF SUBSCRIPTION PLANS – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to allow the establishment of a system or program that allows an individual to purchase a State lottery subscription plan through an electronic device that connects to the Internet, such as a personal computer or mobile device; and requiring the Agency to report by December 1, 2026, to certain committees of the General Assembly on State lottery subscription sales.

SB 923
Chapter 342**Senator Gile, et al****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS OFFICIALS – PAYMENT AND FEES**

Requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association, to develop and periodically update a list of similar high school sports that are categorized together; requiring a county board of education to ensure that certain high school sports officials for certain high school sports are provided equal pay; and requiring a county board to conduct invitations for bids for high school sports officiating services in a certain manner.

HB 226
Chapter 346**Delegate Bagnall****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – SCHOOL SCHEDULE OPTIONS**

Authorizing the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to operate all schools within the county using a scheduling model that eliminates early dismissal days to allow for less than 180 school days if the minimal hours of attendance are met; requiring the board, if it elects to use a scheduling model that results in a school in the county being open for less than 180 days, to offer certain school employees an opportunity to make up the lost wages; and requiring the Board to make a report on the schools using an alternative scheduling model.

HB 458
Chapter 347**Delegate Wolek, et al****UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK CAMPUS – TERPSEXCEED PROGRAM – FUNDING**

Authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill, beginning in fiscal year 2027, an appropriation of \$350,000 to the University of Maryland, College Park Campus TerpsEXCEED (EXperiencing College through Education and Employment Discovery) Program to provide educational and employment opportunities to students with intellectual disabilities.

SB 603
Chapter 348**Senator Zucker, et al****UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK CAMPUS – TERPSEXCEED PROGRAM – FUNDING**

Authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill, beginning in fiscal year 2027, an appropriation of \$350,000 to the University of Maryland, College Park Campus TerpsEXCEED (EXperiencing College through Education and Employment Discovery) Program to provide educational and employment opportunities to students with intellectual disabilities.

HB 1193
Chapter 349**Delegate Wolek, et al****HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS – LOCAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS (MARYLAND HOUSING DATA TRANSPARENCY ACT)**

Requiring certain counties to report information quarterly about certain housing development permits to the Department of Planning, beginning January 1, 2027; authorizing municipalities to make certain quarterly reports to the Department regarding housing development permits issued by the municipality, beginning January 1, 2027; and requiring the Department of Planning to make certain permit information available on a public, interactive, and searchable website.

HB 3**Chapter 352****Delegate Bagnall****STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS – REVISIONS**

Clarifying the definition of “physical therapist assistant” as used in the Maryland Physical Therapy Act to mean an individual licensed by the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners; increasing the membership of the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners from 8 to 9; and requiring the Board to send renewal notices to licensees by electronic means, rather than first-class mail, unless the licensee requests to receive the renewal notice by first-class mail.

SB 47**Chapter 353****Senator Gile****STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS – REVISIONS**

Clarifying the definition of “physical therapist assistant” as used in the Maryland Physical Therapy Act to mean an individual licensed by the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners; increasing the membership of the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners from 8 to 9; and requiring the Board to send renewal notices to licensees by electronic means, rather than first-class mail, unless the licensee requests to receive the renewal notice by first-class mail.

HB 265**Chapter 356****Delegate Bagnall, et al****DENTAL SERVICES – QUALIFICATION FOR MARYLAND DENT-CARE PROGRAM**

Altering the eligibility criteria for Higher Education Loan Assistance Grants under the Maryland Dent-Care Program to include part-time employment.

SB 456**Chapter 357****Senators McKay and Augustine****DENTAL SERVICES – QUALIFICATION FOR MARYLAND DENT-CARE PROGRAM**

Altering the eligibility criteria for Higher Education Loan Assistance Grants under the Maryland Dent-Care Program to include part-time employment.

- HB 1121**
Chapter 369 **Delegate Shetty, et al**
CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – YOUTH
TRANSITIONING FROM FOSTER PLACEMENT TO SUCCESSFUL
ADULTHOOD PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT
Establishing the Youth Transitioning From Foster Placement to
Successful Adulthood Program in the Child Care Scholarship Program to
remove certain application barriers for parenting foster youth and increase
eligibility access to the Child Care Scholarship Program;
- HB 1475**
Chapter 374 **Delegate Feldmark, et al**
MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – PUBLICLY
FUNDED PREKINDERGARTEN – ANALYSIS AND REPORT
(MIXED DELIVERY MODEL VIABILITY ACT)
Requiring the State Department of Education to convene a workgroup to
conduct an analysis of the mixed delivery, publicly funded
prekindergarten system established under the Blueprint for Maryland’s
Future; and requiring the workgroup to submit a final report, by December
31, 2027, to the Accountability and Implementation Board and the General
Assembly on any changes made by the Department in response to the
recommendations in its interim report, and any additional
recommendations for changes to the prekindergarten system.
- HB 1122**
Chapter 376 **Delegate Feldmark**
OFFICE OF CHILD CARE ADVISORY COUNCIL – MEMBERSHIP –
ALTERATIONS
Increasing the maximum number of members of the Office of Child Care
Advisory Council from 30 to 31; and adding a representative of the
Maryland Association of Public Library Administrators to the
membership of the Council.
- HB 473**
Chapter 377 **Delegate Harris**
MARYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM – REVISIONS
Altering the number of years that a recipient of an award under the
Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship Program may hold
the award under certain circumstances.

SB 269**Chapter 378****Senator M. Jackson****MARYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – REVISIONS**

Altering the number of years that a recipient of an award under the Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship Program may hold the award under certain circumstances.

SB 861**Chapter 379****Senator Corderman****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – WESTERN MARYLAND ECONOMIC FUTURE INVESTMENT BOARD AND SENATOR GEORGE C. EDWARDS FUND – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the composition of the Western Maryland Economic Future Investment Board; providing that the Executive Director serves as a nonvoting member of the Board; altering the purpose of the Senator George C. Edwards Fund to provide grant or loan funding to create jobs and significant economic development opportunities in the region; altering the criteria that the Board must consider when awarding certain grant and loan funding from the fund; etc.

HB 1459**Chapter 380****Delegate Buckel, et al****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – WESTERN MARYLAND ECONOMIC FUTURE INVESTMENT BOARD AND SENATOR GEORGE C. EDWARDS FUND – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the composition of the Western Maryland Economic Future Investment Board; providing that the Executive Director serves as a nonvoting member of the Board, but may vote to break a tie; providing criteria for the awarding of grant and loan funding to include the creation or retention of at least 25 jobs, creation or retention of at least 10 jobs each with wages that exceed 120% of the State minimum wage, or creates significant population growth in the area in which the project is located; etc.

HB 704**Chapter 382****Delegate Wivell, et al****HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS**

Expanding eligibility under the Maryland Graduate and Professional Scholarship Program to include certain students attending the Meritus School of Osteopathic Medicine.

SB 597**Chapter 383****Senators Corderman and McKay****HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS**

Expanding eligibility under the Maryland Graduate and Professional Scholarship Program to include certain students attending the Meritus School of Osteopathic Medicine.

SB 318**Chapter 387****Senator Lewis Young, et al****HIGHER EDUCATION – JANET L. HOFFMAN LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY**

Expanding the eligibility for the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include individuals who received a certain degree from an accredited veterinary school and provided veterinary services in the State for not less than 5 years, or provided volunteer veterinary services at certain animal shelters and to include individuals who provided veterinary technician services for a certain time period or provided volunteer veterinary technician services at certain animal shelters.

HB 643
Chapter 388**Delegate Guyton, et al****HIGHER EDUCATION – JANET L. HOFFMAN LOAN ASSISTANCE
REPAYMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY**

Expanding the eligibility for the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include individuals who received a certain degree from an accredited veterinary school and provided veterinary services in the State for not less than 5 years or provided volunteer veterinary services at certain animal shelters for 3 years and to include individuals who provided veterinary technician services for not less than 5 years or provided volunteer veterinary technician services at certain animal shelters over a 3-year period.

HB 1098
Chapter 395**Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo and Wilson****INSURANCE – AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE – MARYLAND
AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND AND AFFORDABILITY
STUDY**

Requiring the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund to calculate and report its risk based capital level in accordance with certain provisions of insurance law and maintain total adjusted capital in a certain amount; establishing that certain provisions of insurance law regarding prior approval rate making apply to the Fund during a certain time period and under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration to establish a workgroup to study automobile insurance affordability; etc.

HB 967
Chapter 401**Delegate Otto, et al****SOMERSET COUNTY CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS – 2025
EDITION – LEGALIZATION**

Legalizing the 2025 Edition of the Somerset County Code of Public Local Laws and any supplement to the extent to which that code or supplement contains laws enacted by the General Assembly.

SB 718**Chapter 402****Senator Carozza****SOMERSET COUNTY CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS – 2025 EDITION – LEGALIZATION**

Legalizing the 2025 Edition of the Somerset County Code of Public Local Laws and any supplement to the extent to which that code or supplement contains laws enacted by the General Assembly.

HB 337**Chapter 403****Delegate Lehman, et al****STATE LOTTERY FUND – LAUREL RACE COURSE – LOCAL IMPACT AID**

Requiring the Comptroller, beginning in fiscal year 2026, to distribute from the State Lottery Fund \$250,000 of supplemental local impact aid to Anne Arundel County, Howard County, and the City of Laurel from the proceeds of the Racetrax lottery game to be used for certain programs and services in the communities surrounding Laurel Race Course; specifying the purposes for and manner in which the supplemental local impact aid may be utilized; etc.

HB 427**Chapter 404****Delegate Queen****STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY – EMERITUS STATUS**

Authorizing the State Board of Public Accountancy to place a licensee on emeritus status under certain circumstances; and requiring the Board to reinstate the license of an individual who is on emeritus status under certain circumstances.

SB 148**Chapter 405****Senator Ellis****STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY – EMERITUS STATUS**

Authorizing the State Board of Public Accountancy to place a licensee on emeritus status under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to review an application for emeritus status within 60 days of receipt of the application; and requiring the Board to reinstate the license of an individual who is on emeritus status under certain circumstances.

HB 509
Chapter 411**Delegate Simmons, et al****MARYLAND INVENTORY OF CEMETERIES AND BURIAL SITES
WORKGROUP – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Maryland Inventory of Cemeteries and Burial Sites Workgroup for the purpose of studying issues related to the establishment and maintenance of a State cemetery inventory system; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

SB 354
Chapter 412**Senator Salling, et al****MARYLAND INVENTORY OF CEMETERIES AND BURIAL SITES
WORKGROUP – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Maryland Inventory of Cemeteries and Burial Sites Workgroup for the purpose of studying issues related to the establishment and maintenance of a State cemetery inventory system; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor by December 1, 2025.

SB 964
Chapter 424**Dorchester County Senators****DORCHESTER COUNTY – WELL AND ON-SITE SEWAGE
DISPOSAL ACTIVITIES – PRIVATIZATION PROGRAM**

Authorizing the Department of the Environment, at the request of the Dorchester County government and the local health department or county agency in Dorchester County that has received a well or on-site sewage disposal system delegation of authority by the Department, to establish a privatization program for the performance of activities associated with the well or on-site sewage disposal system delegation of authority in Dorchester County.

HB 1124
Chapter 425**Dorchester County Delegation****DORCHESTER COUNTY – WELL AND ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL ACTIVITIES – PRIVATIZATION PROGRAM**

Authorizing the Department of the Environment, at the request of the Dorchester County government and the local health department or county agency in Dorchester County that has received a well or on-site sewage disposal system delegation of authority by the Department, to establish a privatization program for the performance of activities associated with the well or on-site sewage disposal system delegation of authority in Dorchester County.

HB 1207
Chapter 426**Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBER COMPENSATION MC 7–25**

Altering the compensation of the student member of the Montgomery County Board of Education.

HB 478
Chapter 427**Washington County Delegation****HAGERSTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE POLICE FORCE – JURISDICTION**

Authorizing a Hagerstown Community College police officer to exercise powers granted to a peace and police officer under certain circumstances.

HB 506
Chapter 430**The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al****CHESAPEAKE BAY LEGACY ACT**

Establishing the Maryland Leaders in Environmentally Engaged Farming (LEEF) Program; establishing the Maryland Leaders in Environmentally Engaged Farming (LEEF) Program Fund to support actions associated with the Program's purpose; altering the definition of "healthy soils" for purposes of the Maryland Healthy Soils Program; exempting certain holders of certain fishing licenses from the requirement to obtain a food establishment license from the Maryland Department of Health; establishing the Water Quality Monitoring Program; etc.

SB 250 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By**
Chapter 432 **Request – Departmental – Environment)**

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – FEES, PENALTIES,
FUNDING, AND REGULATION**

Altering the authorized uses of the Maryland Clean Air Fund to include certain activities relating to mitigating and reducing air pollution in the State; authorizing the Department of the Environment to charge a fee for processing and issuing on-site sewage disposal permits and individual well construction permits under certain circumstances; requiring a holder of a license to transfer oil into the State to pay a certain fee when oil owned by the licensee is first transferred into the State; establishing the Private Dam Repair Fund; etc.

Sections 2, 3, and 4 only

HB 930 **Delegate Lopez, et al**
Chapter 435 **PUBLIC HEALTH ABORTION GRANT PROGRAM –**
ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Public Health Abortion Grant Program to provide grants to improve access to abortion care clinical services for individuals in the State; establishing the Public Health Abortion Grant Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide grants under the Program; and requiring that certain premium funds collected by health insurance carriers be used to provide certain coverage and to support improving access to abortion care clinical services under certain circumstances.

SB 848 **Senator Guzzone**
Chapter 436 **PUBLIC HEALTH ABORTION GRANT PROGRAM –**
ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Public Health Abortion Grant Program to provide grants to improve access to abortion care clinical services for individuals in the State; establishing the Public Health Abortion Grant Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide grants under the Program; and requiring that certain premium funds collected by health insurance carriers be used to provide certain coverage and to support improving access to abortion care clinical services under certain circumstances.

HB 25
Chapter 441 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment)**

ENVIRONMENT – RESERVOIR AUGMENTATION PERMIT – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Reservoir Augmentation Program in the Department of the Environment; defining “reservoir augmentation” as the planned placement of reclaimed water into a surface water reservoir used as a source for a drinking water treatment facility; requiring a person to obtain a permit from the Department to perform reservoir augmentation; establishing an Indirect Potable Reuse Pilot Program in the Department to make recommendations on whether the program should be extended or made permanent and any statutory or regulatory changes necessary; etc.

SB 265
Chapter 442 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment)**

ENVIRONMENT – RESERVOIR AUGMENTATION PERMIT – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Reservoir Augmentation Program in the Department of the Environment; defining “Reservoir Augmentation” as the planned placement of reclaimed water into a surface water reservoir used as a source for a drinking water treatment facility; requiring a person to obtain a permit from the Department to perform reservoir augmentation; establishing an Indirect Potable Reuse Pilot Program in the Department to make recommendations on whether the program should be extended or made permanent and any statutory or regulatory changes necessary; etc.

SB 253
Chapter 445 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)**

CONTROLLED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE FACILITY PERMIT – RESEARCH FACILITIES – CHEMICAL WARFARE MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

Providing that certain provisions of law regarding chemical warfare material requirements under a controlled hazardous substance facility permit do not apply to the incineration of chemical warfare materials at a certain research facility if the incineration is done for research, development, or demonstration purposes; and establishing additional requirements applicable to research, development, and demonstration permits issued for the incineration of chemical warfare materials at a research facility.

HB 1111
Chapter 458 **Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo**

PUBLIC UTILITIES – SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS – SYSTEMS LOCATED ON OR OVER WATER RETENTION PONDS, QUARRIES, OR BROWNFIELDS

Providing that solar energy generating systems located on or over certain water retention ponds or quarries are eligible for the Small Solar Energy Generating System Incentive Program; and authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant by law, a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain nonresidential solar energy generating systems.

HB 517
Chapter 462 **Delegate Korman, et al**

WORKGROUP ON THE REORGANIZATION OF THE MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

Establishing the Workgroup on the Reorganization of the Maryland Transit Administration to study reorganizing the Maryland Transit Administration; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2025; and requiring the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to submit to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House draft legislation to effectuate the recommendations of the Workgroup.

HB 809**Chapter 470****Delegate Griffith, et al****OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT PROVIDERS – INDIVIDUALS ENROLLED IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS**

Authorizing an individual enrolled in an accredited institution of higher education or a residential vocational training program to return to an out-of-home placement provider with whom the individual was previously placed under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to make a request to a local department of social services at least 30 days before the scheduled break; requiring the local department to make a recommendation to the Department of Human Services not later than 21 days before the scheduled break; etc.

SB 765**Chapter 471****Senator Zucker, et al****OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT PROVIDERS – INDIVIDUALS ENROLLED IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS**

Authorizing an individual enrolled in an accredited institution of higher education or a residential vocational training program to return to an out-of-home placement provider with whom the individual was previously placed under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to make a request to a local department of social services within a certain time period to return to an out-of-home placement provider under certain circumstances; etc.

HB 249**Chapter 476****Delegate Palakovich Carr****RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY – LOCAL LIMITS ON SUMMONING LAW ENFORCEMENT OR EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Prohibiting a local jurisdiction from enforcing a law or ordinance that limits the summoning of law enforcement or emergency services to a residential property by establishing a certain threshold or penalty.

SB 125**Chapter 477****Senator Gile****RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY – LOCAL LIMITS ON SUMMONING LAW ENFORCEMENT OR EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Prohibiting a local jurisdiction from enforcing a law or ordinance that limits the summoning of law enforcement or emergency services to a residential property by establishing a certain threshold or penalty.

HB 962**Chapter 479****Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL OVERSTAY PATIENTS AND WORKGROUP ON CHILDREN IN UNLICENSED SETTINGS AND PEDIATRIC OVERSTAYS**

Specifying that the scope of the Maryland Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Registry and Referral System includes private and State inpatient and outpatient mental health and substance use services; requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Department of Human Services, under certain circumstances, to ensure pediatric hospital overstay patients are placed in the least restrictive setting when clinically indicated and when possible; etc.

Sections 1 and 3 only

SB 696**Chapter 480****Senator Beidle****PUBLIC HEALTH – PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL OVERSTAY PATIENTS AND WORKGROUP ON CHILDREN IN UNLICENSED SETTINGS AND PEDIATRIC OVERSTAYS**

Specifying that the scope of the Maryland Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Registry and Referral System includes both private and State inpatient and outpatient mental health and substance use services; requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Department of Human Services to ensure pediatric hospital overstay patients are placed in the least restrictive setting when clinically indicated and when possible; establishing the Workgroup on Children in Unlicensed Settings and Pediatric Overstays in the State; etc.

Sections 1 and 3 only

SB 436
Chapter 503**Senator Waldstreicher****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – STUDY ON BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR SINGLE-STAIRCASE BUILDINGS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to study building code requirements for single-staircase buildings in the State and other states and analyze best practices when drafting building code requirements; requiring the Department to make legislative and regulatory recommendations for the purpose of increasing the affordable housing supply by reducing barriers to multifamily housing development; and requiring the Department to report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2026.

HB 489
Chapter 504**Delegate Stewart, et al****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – STUDY ON BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR SINGLE-STAIRCASE BUILDINGS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to study building code requirements for single-staircase buildings in the State and other States and analyze best practices when drafting building code requirements; requiring the Department to make legislative and regulatory recommendations for the purpose of increasing the affordable housing supply by reducing barriers to multifamily housing development; and requiring the Department to report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2026.

SB 164
Chapter 513**Senator Kagan****TERMINOLOGY AND OBSOLETE REFERENCES – MARYLAND STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION AND RELATED TERMS**

Replacing obsolete references to the Maryland State Firemen's Association with references to the Maryland State Firefighters Association; and replacing related terminology.

HB 580**Chapter 514****Delegate Hutchinson, et al****TERMINOLOGY AND OBSOLETE REFERENCES – MARYLAND STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION AND RELATED TERMS**

Replacing obsolete references to the Maryland State Firemen's Association with references to the Maryland State Firefighters Association; and replacing related terminology.

SB 856**Chapter 539****Senator Henson****MOLD – LANDLORD REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS (MARYLAND TENANT MOLD PROTECTION ACT)**

Requiring the Department of the Environment, the Maryland Department of Health, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Maryland Department of Labor, and the Department of General Services to develop a certain pamphlet and website; requiring a landlord to provide a tenant with certain information at certain times and in a certain manner; requiring a landlord to perform a mold assessment and mold remediation within 15 days after receipt of a written notice regarding the detection of mold; etc.

SB 602**Chapter 543****Senator Brooks, et al****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE DELIVERY MODELS – PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT**

Requiring each county board of education to publish on its website a certain list of special education service delivery models provided for parentally-placed private school students; and defining “parentally-placed private school student” as a child with a disability enrolled by the parent or guardian of the child in a private elementary or secondary school or facility, including a religious school or facility.

HB 702
Chapter 544**Delegate Kaufman, et al****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – SPECIAL EDUCATION
SERVICE DELIVERY MODELS – PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT**

Requiring each county board of education to publish on its website a certain list of special education service delivery models provided for parentally-placed private school students; and defining “parentally-placed private school student” as a child with a disability enrolled by the parent or guardian of the child in a private elementary or secondary school or facility, including a religious school or facility.

HB 277
Chapter 547**Delegate Ruth, et al****ENVIRONMENT – WATER BOTTLE FILLING STATIONS –
REQUIREMENT**

Requiring a water bottle filling station or a combined water bottle filling station and drinking fountain to be installed in certain new construction or as part of certain renovations beginning October 1, 2025, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of the Act; and applying the Act prospectively.

SB 96
Chapter 548**Senator Brooks****ENVIRONMENT – WATER BOTTLE FILLING STATIONS –
REQUIREMENT**

Requiring at least one water bottle filling station or a combined water bottle filling station and drinking fountain to be installed in certain new construction or as part of certain renovations beginning October 1, 2025, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of the Act; and applying the Act prospectively.

HB 731
Chapter 549**Delegate Ruth, et al****WILDLIFE – PROTECTIONS AND HIGHWAY CROSSINGS**

Establishing the Maryland Connectivity Coalition to foster collaboration among State and federal agencies, nongovernmental organizations, and other stakeholders for the purpose of protecting endangered wildlife from habitat fragmentation; requiring the State Highway Administration to have final decision-making authority regarding decisions related to placement, funding, or design of wildlife crossings; etc.

HB 893
Chapter 552**Delegate Jacobs, et al****TIDAL FISH LICENSES – OYSTER AUTHORIZATIONS – ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES**

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to suspend for up to 5 years for a first violation, rather than revoke, a person's oyster authorization for knowingly committing certain violations; providing for the reinstatement for certain persons of an oyster authorization and an entitlement to engage or work in the oyster fishery; altering a certain offense related to the use of prohibited gear; and repealing the 90-day time period within which a certain administrative hearing must be held.

HB 857
Chapter 553**Delegate Hornberger, et al****NATURAL RESOURCES – PURSUING WOUNDED DEER AFTER LEGAL HUNTING HOURS AND USING A LIGHT – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing a person who is authorized by the Department of Natural Resources to hunt deer and who wounds a deer during legal hunting hours to pursue and kill the deer after legal hunting hours using the means authorized for the applicable hunting season or permit which may include use of a light or throw or cast the rays of a spotlight, a headlight, an artificial light, a battery, or any other device while pursuing the wounded deer.

SB 335**Chapter 554****Senators Bailey and Mautz****NATURAL RESOURCES – CANADA GEESE – BAG LIMITS**

Requiring, during the migratory Canada goose (Atlantic population) hunting season, the bag limit for all Canada geese in certain areas of the State, including geese found in the Atlantic Flyway Resident Population Hunt Zone and the Atlantic Population Hunt Zone, to conform to the bag limit for Atlantic population Canada geese adopted annually by the Department of the Interior's U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

SB 23**Chapter 555****Senator Bailey****NATURAL RESOURCES – STATE BOAT ACT – AUCTIONEERS**

Exempting certain auctioneers from certain provisions of the State Boat Act.

HB 425**Chapter 556****Delegate T. Morgan, et al****NATURAL RESOURCES – STATE BOAT ACT – AUCTIONEERS**

Exempting certain auctioneers from certain provisions of the State Boat Act.

HB 865**Chapter 559****Delegate D. Jones****CATASTROPHIC EVENT ACCOUNT – TRANSFER OF FUNDS – STATE DISASTER RECOVERY FUND**

Authorizing the transfer of funds from the Catastrophic Event Account to the State Disaster Recovery Fund if the balance of the Fund has been depleted due to use or transfer or the estimated costs for providing adequate disaster relief for a natural disaster or catastrophic situation are in excess of the Fund's balance; and providing the Legislative Policy Committee has 10 days to review and make comments before the Governor may transfer certain funds from the Account through budget amendment.

HB 1078
Chapter 561**Delegate Williams, et al****PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION HEADQUARTERS – MANDATED APPROPRIATION**

Requiring the Governor to include \$200,000,000 in the annual operating or capital budget bill for site redevelopment and transportation infrastructure improvements if the U.S. General Services Administration applies to Prince George’s County or the State for a permit associated with the relocation of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters to Prince George’s County.

SB 600
Chapter 571**Senator McCray****BALTIMORE CITY AND TAKOMA PARK – STOP SIGN MONITORING SYSTEMS – AUTHORIZATION OF PILOT PROGRAM**

Authorizing the use of stop sign monitoring systems in certain school zones in Baltimore City and the City of Takoma Park under the pilot program authorized for Prince George’s County, if authorized by local law; and requiring that a certain percentage of the fines collected under the Act be distributed to the local management board for Baltimore City and be used only to provide youth programming and services for youth living in or attending a school located in the 45th or 46th legislative districts.

HB 814
Chapter 576**Delegate Taylor****DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES – REPORT ON YOUTH SERVICE BUREAUS**

Requiring the Department of Juvenile Services to submit an annual report to certain committees of the General Assembly by October 1 detailing efforts by the Department to promote predelinquent programs, including youth service bureaus, efforts by the Department to collaborate with and provide technical assistance to local governments regarding the establishment of youth service bureaus, and an assessment of the programs and activities of the bureaus and any other efforts to prevent youth offenses.

HB 1126
Chapter 579**Delegate Ruff, et al****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – CHILD SUPPORT ARREARAGE TO WORK PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing a Child Support Arrearage to Work Pilot Program within the Department of Labor to connect individuals who are unemployed and in arrears under a child support order with employment opportunities in the State; and requiring the Department to report on or before July 1, 2026, on the Department's findings and any recommendations related to the continuation of the Program.

HB 1227
Chapter 589**Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – SCHOOL BUS STOPS ON HIGHWAYS – ALTERATIONS MC 8–25**

Applying certain provisions of law regarding school bus stops located on certain highways in Montgomery County to a school bus stop at a location for which at least 400 citations were issued in the preceding fiscal year to drivers traveling in the opposite direction of the bus stop; and prohibiting, beginning on December 31, 2028, locating a school bus stop on any highway with five or more undivided traffic lanes, except under certain circumstances.

HB 1064
Chapter 591**Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD AND WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – OPEN MEETINGS – LIVE STREAMING REQUIREMENT MC/PG 101–25**

Establishing that certain project site visits and educational field tours do not constitute open meetings subject to the requirement that the Montgomery County Planning Board and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, respectively, stream live video or audio of their open meetings.

HB 1230 **Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County**
Chapter 594 **Delegation**

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGE – EXEMPTIONS MC/PG 107–25

Requiring, rather than authorizing, the Montgomery County Council and the Prince George’s County Council to grant exemptions from the system development charge imposed by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for certain properties and projects located in Montgomery County; limiting the exemption to \$80,000; altering the method by which the county councils establish eligibility for the exemptions; prohibiting the county councils from requiring that an applicant for an exemption own the property for which the exemption is sought; etc.

HB 360 **Prince George’s County Delegation**
Chapter 597 **PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS –**
REGISTRATION FEES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING
PROCESS PG 408–25

Altering the registration fee requirement for the Community Association Registry; permitting the County Executive to establish the registration fee; prohibiting a person or entity who fails to register from filing a dispute; and requiring the Prince George’s County Office of Community Relations to provide revenue from annual community association registration fees to fund the administrative hearing process for disputes between community associations and owners in Prince George’s County.

HB 352 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**
Chapter 604 **BUDGET RECONCILIATION AND FINANCING ACT OF 2025**

Establishing or altering certain administrative penalties; altering or repealing certain required appropriations; authorizing the use of certain funds for certain purposes; establishing certain funds; authorizing, requiring, or altering the distribution of certain revenue; altering the rates and rate brackets under the State income tax on certain income of individuals; increasing the cap on the percentage that may be deducted from all open purses and paid to a certain organization; etc.

Sections 2, 3, and 4 only

HB 1104 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 615 **Departmental – Health)**

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – AHEAD MODEL
IMPLEMENTATION – ELECTRONIC HEALTH CARE
TRANSACTIONS AND POPULATION HEALTH IMPROVEMENT
FUND

Clarifying that electronic health care transactions information may be used to support the participation of the State in the States Advancing All–Payer Health Equity Approaches and Development (AHEAD) Model and any successor models; establishing the Population Health Improvement Fund to support the statewide population health targets under the AHEAD Model and any successor models; authorizing the Health Services Cost Review Commission to assess a uniform, broad–based, and reasonable amount in hospital rates to be credited to the Fund; etc.

Except Section 4

SB 200 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental**
Chapter 616 **– Teachers and State Employees Supplemental Retirement Plans)**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND TEACHERS AND
STATE EMPLOYEES SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLANS –
RENAMING

Renaming the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Teachers and State Employees Supplemental Retirement Plans to be the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Employees Supplemental Retirement Plans; and providing that the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Employees Supplemental Retirement Plans is the successor of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Teachers and State Employees Supplemental Retirement Plans.

HB 991 **Delegate Harris, et al**
Chapter 620

STATE PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE
PROGRAM – EXTENSION AND REPORTS

Altering the termination date for certain provisions of law governing the Minority Business Enterprise Program and its application to public–private partnerships, offshore wind projects, video lottery terminals, and sports wagering licenses; and altering the date by which certain reports, studies, and guidelines must be submitted.

SB 829**Chapter 621****Senator Hayes****STATE PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM – EXTENSION AND REPORTS**

Altering the termination date for certain provisions of law governing the Minority Business Enterprise Program and its application to public-private partnerships, offshore wind projects, video lottery terminals, and sports wagering licenses; and altering the date by which certain reports, studies, and guidelines must be submitted.

HB 1010**Chapter 622****Delegate A. Jones****AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE PRESERVATION PROGRAM AND GRANT FUND – NONCAPITAL GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

Altering the purpose of the African American Heritage Preservation Program and Grant Fund to provide funding for African American Heritage Preservation Noncapital Grants for the purpose of preserving or sharing African American history or culture in the State; requiring certain noncapital grants to be made using certain money received by the African American Heritage Preservation (AAHP) Grant Fund; and authorizing the AAHP Grant Fund to receive grants and donations.

SB 931**Chapter 623****Senator Feldman****PUBLIC UTILITIES – GENERATING STATIONS – GENERATION AND SITING (RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTAINTY ACT)**

Altering the factors the Public Service Commission must consider before taking final action on a 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, by July 1, 2026, to develop and submit to the Commission proposed siting and design requirements and licensing conditions; etc.

HB 1036
Chapter 624**Delegates Wilson and Crosby****PUBLIC UTILITIES – GENERATING STATIONS – GENERATION AND SITING (RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTAINTY ACT)**

Altering the factors the Public Service Commission must consider before taking final action on a 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, by July 1, 2026, to develop and submit to the Commission proposed siting and design requirements and licensing conditions; etc.

HB 614
Chapter 629**Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)****LOCAL EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT – CALCULATION – COUNTY INCOME TAX RATE**

Clarifying that a county's applicable income tax rate is the tax rate used to calculate the local earned income tax credit that certain individuals may claim against the county income tax; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2024.

SB 663
Chapter 630**The President (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)****EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT – NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY – ALTERATION**

Altering the method by which the Comptroller must provide notice of the maximum income eligibility for the earned income tax credit for the calendar year to all employers in the State to include an electronic means of notification.

HB 603
Chapter 631**The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)****EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT – NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY – ALTERATION**

Altering the method by which the Comptroller must provide notice of the maximum income eligibility for the earned income tax credit for the calendar year to all employers in the State to include an electronic means of notification.

- SB 664**
Chapter 632 **The President (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
BUSINESS REGULATION – ENFORCEMENT FOR
MISCELLANEOUS STATE BUSINESS LICENSES – STUDY
- Requiring the Comptroller to consult with certain stakeholders to study and make recommendations on the enforcement process for miscellaneous State business licenses; and requiring the Comptroller to submit a report of the study’s findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.
- HB 577**
Chapter 633 **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
BUSINESS REGULATION – ENFORCEMENT FOR
MISCELLANEOUS STATE BUSINESS LICENSES – STUDY
- Requiring the Comptroller to consult with certain stakeholders to study and make recommendations on the enforcement process for miscellaneous State business licenses; and requiring the Comptroller to report the findings and recommendations of the study to the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.
- HB 617**
Chapter 634 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Comptroller)**
COMPTROLLER – RECORDING AND MONITORING TELEPHONE
CALLS – CLARIFICATION
- Clarifying which telephone calls the Comptroller of the State may record and monitor for training, quality control, and employee safety purposes; and providing that the Comptroller may monitor and record calls to the Comptroller’s call centers only.
- HB 619**
Chapter 637 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Comptroller)**
SALES AND USE TAX – SALES BETWEEN CANNABIS
BUSINESSES AND CANNABIS NURSERIES – EXEMPTION
- Expanding the exemption from the sales and use tax for certain cannabis sales to include sales between certain licensed cannabis businesses and registered cannabis nurseries.

HB 757
Chapter 639**Delegate Kaiser, et al****PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER INNOVATIVE
CANCER SCREENING TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM – FUNDING**

Altering the amount the Governor is authorized to include in the annual budget for the Program from \$500,000 to at least \$1,000,000; and authorizing the Secretary to use up to 20% of Program funds to support research centers, including the University of Maryland Institute for Health Computing, in the collection, analysis, and processing of Program outcome data for the purposes of assessing, maximizing, and improving the effectiveness and clinical utility of the cancer screening funded by the Program.

SB 849
Chapter 640**Senator Guzzone****PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER INNOVATIVE
CANCER SCREENING TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM – FUNDING**

Altering the amount the Governor is authorized to include in the annual budget for the Professional and Volunteer Firefighter Innovative Cancer Screening Technologies Program from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000; and authorizing the Secretary of Health to use up to 20% of Program funds to support research centers in the collection, analysis, and processing of Program outcome data for the purposes of assessing, maximizing, and improving the effectiveness and clinical utility of the cancer screening funded by the Program.

HB 953
Chapter 647**Delegate Kaiser, et al****TAX SALES – HOMEOWNER PROTECTION PROGRAM –
FUNDING AND ALTERATIONS**

Requiring each collector of taxes that maintains a website to include on the collector's website certain information and a certain link relating to the Homeowner Protection Program; altering the information the State Department of Assessments and Taxation is required to obtain and include in a certain annual report regarding tax sales; requiring the State Tax Sale Ombudsman to take certain actions to maximize enrollment in the Homeowner Protection Program; etc.

HB 1344
Chapter 650**Delegate D. Jones, et al****DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – ASSESSMENT OF
STATE-OWNED FACILITIES – CHILD CARE CENTERS**

Requiring the Department of General Services to conduct an assessment of facilities owned by the State and operated by the 16 State agencies the Department supports to evaluate whether the facility or a portion of the facility would be suitable to lease to a child care center; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly the results of the assessment and a description of whether each facility is suitable to lease to a child care center by December 1, 2026; and requiring the report to be published on the Department's website.

SB 373
Chapter 653**Senator Beidle****STATE PERSONNEL – BWI AIRPORT FIRE AND RESCUE
DEPARTMENT – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND
ARBITRATION PROCESSES**

Altering the collective bargaining process between the State and uniformed fire employees of the BWI Airport Fire and Rescue Department by requiring the parties to reach a collective bargaining agreement on or before September 30 of the year in which the collective bargaining agreement will expire; and establishing a process of binding arbitration in the event of an impasse.

HB 599
Chapter 654**Delegate Pruski****STATE PERSONNEL – BWI AIRPORT FIRE AND RESCUE
DEPARTMENT – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND
ARBITRATION PROCESSES**

Altering the collective bargaining process between the State and uniformed fire employees of the BWI Airport Fire and Rescue Department by requiring the parties to reach a collective bargaining agreement on or before September 30 of the year in which the collective bargaining agreement will expire; and establishing a process of binding arbitration in the event of an impasse.

SB 900**Chapter 658****Senator Augustine****MARYLAND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SYSTEM – INTEGRATION OF 9–8–8 SUICIDE AND CRISIS LIFELINE NETWORK AND OUTCOME EVALUATIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System to have a State 9–8–8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, rather than a crisis communication center, in each jurisdiction; requiring each State 9–8–8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline in the System to coordinate with the national 9–8–8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Network to provide supportive counseling, suicide prevention, crisis intervention, referrals to additional resources, and direct dispatch to other services as needed; etc.

HB 1146**Chapter 659****Delegate White Holland, et al****MARYLAND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SYSTEM – INTEGRATION OF 9–8–8 SUICIDE AND CRISIS LIFELINE NETWORK AND OUTCOME EVALUATIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System to have a State 9–8–8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, rather than a crisis communication center, in each jurisdiction; requiring each State 9–8–8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline in the System to coordinate with the national 9–8–8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Network to provide supportive counseling, suicide prevention, crisis intervention, referrals to additional resources, and direct dispatch to other services as needed; etc.

SB 599**Chapter 666****Senators Hettleman and Augustine****BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM – FUNDING**

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for each of fiscal years 2027 through 2029 an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to the Behavioral Health Crisis Response Grant Program.

HB 602
Chapter 673**Delegates Hutchinson and Adams**

STATE BOARD OF NURSING – ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING LICENSURE AND SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION – RECIPROCITY DISCUSSIONS (MARYLAND BORDER STATES ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING ACT)

Requiring the State Board of Nursing to hold discussions with Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia to pursue reciprocity agreements for advanced practice nursing licensure and specialty certification; and requiring the Board, by November 1, 2025, and each November 1 for the following 4 years, to submit a report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the status of the discussions, agreements reached, challenges in the negotiations, and any legislative recommendations.

SB 407
Chapter 674**Senator Beidle, et al**

STATE BOARD OF NURSING – ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING LICENSURE AND SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION – RECIPROCITY DISCUSSIONS (MARYLAND BORDER STATES ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING ACT)

Requiring the State Board of Nursing to hold discussions with Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia to pursue reciprocity agreements for advanced practice nursing licensure and specialty certification.

SB 790
Chapter 686**Senator Augustine**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE COMMISSION ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE TREATMENT AND ACCESS – PLAN TO IMPLEMENT EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC, AND TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Behavioral Health Advisory Council and the Commission on Behavioral Health Care Treatment and Access, through its workgroup on youth behavioral health, individuals with developmental disabilities, and individuals with complex behavioral health needs, to provide recommendations to implement Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment requirements; requiring the workgroup to create a plan to implement the recommendations in a certain Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services State Health Official letter; etc.

HB 1083
Chapter 687**Delegate Woods, et al****BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE COMMISSION ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE TREATMENT AND ACCESS – PLAN TO IMPLEMENT EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC, AND TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the Behavioral Health Advisory Council and the Commission on Behavioral Health Care Treatment and Access, through its workgroup, to implement Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment requirements; requiring the workgroup to provide recommendations to implement recommendations in a certain Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services State Health Official letter; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 2026.

HB 722
Chapter 697**Delegate Rosenberg****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – REPORT ON OVERSIGHT OF SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT PROGRAMS AND RECOVERY RESIDENCES**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to submit reports on or before December 1, 2025, and December 1, 2026, to the Senate Finance Committee, the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Health and Government Operations Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee on the oversight of substance use disorder treatment programs and recovery residences.

HB 729
Chapter 698**Delegate Rosenberg, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – USE OF OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND AND TRAINING UNDER THE OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM**

Altering the training that the Maryland Department of Health is authorized to provide under the Overdose Response Program to include emphasis on the restoration of breathing, avoiding withdrawal, and compassionate postoverdose support and care; clarifying that the use of the Opioid Restitution Fund is subject to certain restrictions; and altering the authorized uses of the Opioid Restitution Fund so as to include the addressing of racial disparities in access to prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery support services.

SB 594
Chapter 699**Senator Ellis****PUBLIC HEALTH – USE OF OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND AND TRAINING UNDER THE OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM**

Altering the training that the Maryland Department of Health is authorized to provide under the Overdose Response Program to include emphasis on the restoration of breathing, avoiding withdrawal, and compassionate postoverdose support and care; clarifying that the use of the Opioid Restitution Fund is subject to certain restrictions; and altering the authorized uses of the Opioid Restitution Fund to include addressing racial and socioeconomic disparities in access to prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery support services.

HB 728
Chapter 700**Delegate Rosenberg, et al****OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND – AUTHORIZED USES**

Altering the allowable uses of the Opioid Restitution Fund to provide funds for the operating expenses and personnel costs for investigations, enforcement actions, and other activities conducted by the Opioids Enforcement Unit within the Office of the Attorney General that are related to the recovery of funds from opioid-related judgments or settlements; and requiring, beginning October 1, 2025, the Office of the Attorney General to report annually to the General Assembly on the status of activity of the Opioids Enforcement Unit.

SB 495
Chapter 701**Senator Ellis****OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND – AUTHORIZED USES**

Altering the allowable uses of the Opioid Restitution Fund to provide funds for the operating expenses and personnel costs for investigations, enforcement actions, and other activities conducted by the Opioids Enforcement Unit within the Office of the Attorney General that are related to the recovery of funds from opioid-related judgments or settlements; and requiring the Attorney General to report annually beginning October 1, 2025, on the status of activity of the Opioids Enforcement Unit.

HB 18**Chapter 712****Delegate Palakovich Carr****VEHICLE LAWS – NOISE ABATEMENT MONITORING SYSTEMS
PILOT PROGRAM – INSPECTION AND EXTENSION**

Establishing that certain provisions of law relating to the inspection of recorded images apply to recorded images produced by a noise abatement monitoring system; and extending by 2 years the reporting and termination dates of the noise abatement monitoring systems pilot programs in Montgomery County and Prince George's County.

HB 553**Chapter 714****Delegate Taveras, et al****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – MATERNAL
HEALTH SELF-MEASURED BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING**

Requiring, beginning on January 1, 2026, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide coverage for self-measured blood pressure monitoring for certain eligible Program recipients; and requiring reimbursement of health care provider and other staff time used for patient training, transmission of blood pressure data, interpretation of blood pressure readings and reporting, remote patient monitoring, and the delivery of co-interventions, including educational materials or classes.

SB 94**Chapter 715****Senator Ellis****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – MATERNAL
HEALTH SELF-MEASURED BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING**

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2026, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide coverage for self-measured blood pressure monitoring for certain eligible Program recipients; and requiring reimbursement of health care provider and other staff time used for patient training, transmission of blood pressure data, interpretation of blood pressure readings and reporting, remote patient monitoring, and the delivery of co-interventions, including educational materials or classes.

SB 3**Chapter 716****Senator Ellis****WORKGROUP ON THE CREATION OF A DATA DASHBOARD FOR PUBLIC WORK CONTRACTS AND APPRENTICES – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Workgroup on the Creation of a Data Dashboard for Public Work Contracts and Apprentices to study the most efficient and cost-effective methods to create a publicly available data dashboard that disaggregates information regarding public work contracts with the State and apprentices working under public work contracts; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 7, 2027.

HB 850**Chapter 717****Delegate Williams, et al****WORKGROUP ON THE CREATION OF A DATA DASHBOARD FOR PUBLIC WORK CONTRACTS AND APPRENTICES – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Workgroup on the Creation of a Data Dashboard for Public Work Contracts and Apprentices to study the most efficient and cost-effective method to create a publicly available data dashboard that disaggregates information regarding public work contracts with the State and apprentices working under the public work contracts; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 7, 2027.

HB 334**Chapter 719****Delegate Kerr, et al****WORKGROUP ON NEWBORN NURSE HOME VISITING SERVICES – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Workgroup on Universal Newborn Nurse Home Visiting Services; requiring the Workgroup to compile updated participant data and expenditure per participant from the home visiting programs currently operating in the State, compare the data for home visiting programs to the data for evidence-based models, identify service gaps, and identify workforce needs; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2025.

SB 156
Chapter 720**Senator Lewis Young****WORKGROUP ON NEWBORN HOME VISITING SERVICES – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Workgroup on Universal Newborn Nurse Home Visiting Services; requiring the Workgroup to compile updated patient data and expenditure per patient from programs currently operating in the State, identify certain service gaps and potential funding sources to close the gaps, and identify workforce needs and make recommendations to address the needs; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2025.

HB 297
Chapter 721**Delegate Kerr, et al****MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE–BASED YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM – SUNSET REPEAL**

Renaming the State–Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program to be the State–Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Program; repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law that establish and govern the funding for the Program; authorizing rather than requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement the Program; and prohibiting the Exchange from implementing the Program if certain funds are not available.

SB 5
Chapter 722**Senator Lam, et al****MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE–BASED YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM – SUNSET REPEAL**

Renaming the State–Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program to be the State–Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Program; repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law that establish and govern the funding for the Program; authorizing rather than requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement the Program; and prohibiting the Exchange from implementing the Program if certain funds are not available.

SB 795**Chapter 726****Senator Mautz****STATE PROCUREMENT PREFERENCES – BLIND INDUSTRIES AND SERVICES OF MARYLAND – PACKAGING AND REPACKAGING**

Requiring a State or State aided or controlled entity to require a prime contractor to procure certain janitorial products packaged or repackaged by Blind Industries and Services of Maryland.

SB 962**Chapter 727****Senator Mautz****MUNICIPALITIES – LEGISLATIVE AUDIT – EXEMPTION**

Exempting a municipality with annual revenues below \$100,000 from a certain audit requirement; clarifying that a certain audit exemption does not affect certain financial reporting requirements; and authorizing the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee to request or require certain municipalities to conduct a review or audit of their financial records if the financial report indicates a financial or accounting irregularity or concern.

HB 634**Chapter 734****Delegates Wims and Mireku–North****INCOME TAX – INCOME TAX RECONCILIATION PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED (MARYLAND FAIR TAXATION FOR JUSTICE–INVOLVED INDIVIDUALS ACT)**

Establishing the Income Tax Reconciliation Program in the State to allow certain justice–involved individuals to establish installment payment plans and receive a waiver of any interest and penalties that accrue for unpaid income tax due for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2024, but before January 1, 2030; requiring the Comptroller to administer the Program; requiring the Comptroller, in collaboration with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, to develop an awareness campaign about the Program; etc.

SB 295**Chapter 735****Senator McCray****INCOME TAX – INCOME TAX RECONCILIATION PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED (MARYLAND FAIR TAXATION FOR JUSTICE–INVOLVED INDIVIDUALS ACT)**

Establishing the Income Tax Reconciliation Program in the State to allow certain justice–involved individuals to establish installment payment plans and receive a waiver of any interest and penalties that accrue for unpaid income tax due for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2024, but before January 1, 2030; requiring the Comptroller to administer the Program; requiring the Comptroller, in collaboration with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, to develop an awareness campaign about the Program; etc.

SB 653**Chapter 736****Senator McCray****PROCUREMENT – EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN PREFERENCE – PILOT**

Authorizing the Maryland Stadium Authority, Morgan State University, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, and Baltimore City Community College to establish a certain preference program for certain procurements; authorizing the establishment of a certain evaluation factor for certain proposals by an entity that utilizes an employee stock ownership plan; requiring contractors to provide certain information to a unit regarding the use of an employee stock ownership plan; etc.

HB 819**Chapter 737****Delegate Guzzone, et al****PROCUREMENT – EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN PREFERENCE – PILOT**

Authorizing the Maryland Stadium Authority, Morgan State University, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, and Baltimore City Community College to establish a certain preference program for certain procurements; authorizing the establishment of a certain evaluation factor for certain proposals by an entity that utilizes certain employee stock ownership plans; requiring contractors to provide certain information to a unit regarding the use of an employee stock ownership plan; etc.

HB 406
Chapter 739**Delegate Guzzone, et al****STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS, SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, AND MUSIC THERAPISTS – APPOINTMENT OF HEARING AID DISPENSER MEMBERS**

Altering the appointment process for licensed hearing aid dispenser members of the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists by requiring the Board to notify all licensed hearing aid dispensers in the State of the vacancy and to solicit nominations to fill the vacancy.

SB 547
Chapter 741**Senator James, et al****COMMISSION TO STUDY HEALTH INSURANCE POOLING – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Commission to Study Health Insurance Pooling to study the pooling of public employee health insurance purchasing between the State, counties, municipal corporations, and county boards of education in the State to maximize value and efficiency while maintaining a broad package of benefits and reasonable premiums for public employees; and requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2026.

HB 765
Chapter 750**Delegate Ivey, et al****HOSPITALS – MEDICAL DEBT COLLECTION – SALE OF PATIENT DEBT**

Authorizing a hospital, under certain circumstances, to sell the medical debt of patients if the debt is sold to a governmental unit or an entity that is under contract with the unit or a nonprofit organization for the purpose of canceling the debt; requiring that a hospital's financial policy require the hospital to dismiss actions pending against a patient for the collection of debt that was sold and prohibit the hospital from engaging in specified collection activities; etc.

HB 1143
Chapter 753**Delegate Bagnall, et al****MARYLAND COLLABORATIVE TO IMPROVE CHILDREN’S ORAL HEALTH THROUGH SCHOOL–BASED PROGRAMS – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Maryland Collaborative to Improve Children’s Oral Health Through School–Based Programs to study and make recommendations on ways to improve school–based dental programs; and requiring the Collaborative to submit an interim report by December 1, 2025, and a final report on its findings and recommendations by October 1, 2026.

HB 1142
Chapter 754**Delegate Bagnall, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND INTERESTED PARTIES ADVISORY GROUP – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Maryland Interested Parties Advisory Group to ensure adequate access to applicable home– and community–based services in the State; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to provide certain support to the Advisory Group; and requiring by September 1 each year beginning in 2026, the Advisory Group to report its activities and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly.

HB 1131
Chapter 759**Delegates Vogel and Tomlinson****PUBLIC HEALTH – BUPRENORPHINE – TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM AND WORKGROUP**

Establishing the Buprenorphine Training Grant Program to assist counties with offsetting the cost of training paramedics to administer buprenorphine; including the Program as an authorized use of funding from the Opioid Restitution Fund; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$50,000 from the Opioid Restitution Fund for the Program; and requiring the Maryland Office of Overdose Response to convene a workgroup to study access to buprenorphine in the State.

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SB 692**Chapter 766****Senator M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – ALTERATIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS**

Altering certain due dates of certain reports from the State Retirement and Pension System; and clarifying the eligibility requirements of State Police Retirement System members to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program.

HB 1034**Chapter 767****Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – ALTERATIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS**

Altering certain due dates of certain reports from the State Retirement and Pension System; and clarifying the eligibility requirements of State Police Retirement System members to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program.

HB 886**Chapter 770****Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DEFERRED VESTED FORMER MEMBERS – RETURN TO SERVICE**

Establishing that an individual who, after earning service credit sufficient for a vested allowance in the State Police Retirement System, the Correctional Officers' Retirement System, or the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System, separates from service, and subsequently returns to service in a position in the same system under certain circumstances, is subject to the same requirements to which certain members of the same system are subject.

SB 612**Chapter 771****Senator M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DEFERRED VESTED FORMER MEMBERS – RETURN TO SERVICE**

Establishing that an individual who, after earning service credit sufficient for a vested allowance in the State Police Retirement System, the Correctional Officers' Retirement System, or the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System, separates from service and subsequently returns to service in a position in the same system under certain circumstances is subject to the same requirements to which certain members of the same system are subject.

SB 810**Chapter 772****Senator M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – INVESTMENT DIVISION – COMPENSATION AND STAFFING**

Clarifying that the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System shall pay certain incentive compensation to the Chief Investment Officer for the State Retirement and Pension System if the Chief Investment Officer retires from the Investment Division of the State Retirement Agency in a certain manner; clarifying that the Board of Trustees shall pay certain incentive compensation to certain employees of the Investment Division if the employees retire from the Investment Division in a certain manner; etc.

HB 1028**Chapter 773****Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – INVESTMENT DIVISION – COMPENSATION AND STAFFING**

Clarifying that the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System shall pay certain incentive compensation to the Chief Investment Officer for the State Retirement and Pension System if the Chief Investment Officer retires from the Investment Division of the State Retirement Agency in a certain manner; clarifying that the Board of Trustees shall pay certain incentive compensation to certain employees of the Investment Division if the employees retire from the Investment Division in a certain manner; etc.

HB 1033
Chapter 774**Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM –
REEMPLOYMENT EARNINGS LIMITATIONS – MAXIMUM
AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION**

Clarifying that the maximum average final compensation that certain retirees of the State Retirement and Pension System is to be based on the minimum annual salary on the standard State pay scale as of January 1 of the preceding calendar year in order to be exempt from a certain reemployment earnings limitation; and adding an average final compensation reemployment exemption for the temporary suspension of a retirement allowance for disability retirees.

SB 693
Chapter 775**Senator M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM –
REEMPLOYMENT EARNINGS LIMITATIONS – MAXIMUM
AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION**

Clarifying that the maximum average final compensation that certain retirees of the State Retirement and Pension System is to be based on the minimum annual salary on the standard State pay scale as of January 1 of the preceding calendar year in order to be exempt from a certain reemployment earnings limitation; and adding an average final compensation reemployment exemption for the temporary suspension of a retirement allowance for disability retirees.

SB 768
Chapter 776**Senator M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM –
MEMBERSHIP – CLARIFICATIONS**

Clarifying the membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System for certain employees of certain Maryland Department of Health facilities; and clarifying that certain participating employees who are appointed, promoted, or transferred are members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System as a condition of employment.

HB 1029
Chapter 777**Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM – MEMBERSHIP – CLARIFICATIONS**

Clarifying the membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System for certain employees of certain Maryland Department of Health facilities; and clarifying that certain participating employees who are appointed, promoted, or transferred are members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System as a condition of employment.

HB 515
Chapter 782**Delegates Rogers and Pruski****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS**

Authorizing a certain holder of a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in Anne Arundel County to convert the license to a Class C (veterans' organization) license; reducing from \$400 to \$300 the annual license fee for a Class C (veterans' organization) license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to provide application and administrative fee discounts to certain licensees and applicants; and authorizing a Class C (veterans' organization) licensee to operate on Sunday without a Sunday license.

SB 17
Chapter 783**Senator Simonaire, et al****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS**

Authorizing a certain holder of a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in Anne Arundel County to convert the license to a Class C (veterans' organization) license; reducing from \$400 to \$300 the annual license fee for a Class C (veterans' organization) license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to provide application and administrative fee discounts to certain licensees and applicants; and authorizing a Class C (veterans' organization) licensee to operate on Sunday without a Sunday license.

HB 835
Chapter 784**Charles County Delegation****CHARLES COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BASEBALL STADIUM LICENSE – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the areas in which beer, wine, and liquor may be sold and consumed under a Class B–Stadium (baseball stadium) beer, wine, and liquor license in Charles County to exclude any parking areas; and altering the types of containers in which beer, wine, and liquor may be served.

SB 731
Chapter 785**Charles County Senators****CHARLES COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BASEBALL STADIUM LICENSE – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the areas in which beer, wine, and liquor may be sold and consumed under a Class B–Stadium (baseball stadium) beer, wine, and liquor license in Charles County to exclude any parking areas; and altering the types of containers in which beer, wine, and liquor may be served.

HB 1238
Chapter 786**Delegate Otto, et al****SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE**

Establishing a liquor tasting license in Somerset County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Somerset County to issue the license to the holder of a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license; and establishing liquor tasting license fees.

HB 486
Chapter 787**St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CIVIL PENALTY FOR SALES VIOLATIONS**

Increasing, from \$1,000 to \$2,500, the maximum civil penalty that the Board of License Commissioners for St. Mary's County may impose for a violation of a law relating to licensing the sale of alcoholic beverages.

HB 714
Chapter 788**Harford County Delegation****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PERFORMING
ARTS NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION LICENSE –
RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing certain incorrect references to the Comptroller of Maryland in certain provisions of law requiring the holder of a performing arts nonprofit organization license in Harford County to comply with certain record-keeping and reporting requirements; repealing the authority of the Comptroller to suspend the license of a license holder without a hearing under certain circumstances; and authorizing, rather than requiring, the Board to summon a license holder for a hearing and impose a fine under certain circumstances.

SB 745
Chapter 789**Harford County Senators****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PERFORMING
ARTS NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION LICENSE –
RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing certain incorrect references to the Comptroller of Maryland in certain provisions of law requiring the holder of a performing arts nonprofit organization license in Harford County to comply with certain record-keeping and reporting requirements; repealing the authority of the Comptroller to suspend the license of a license holder without a hearing under certain circumstances; and authorizing, rather than requiring, the Board to summon a license holder for a hearing and impose a fine under certain circumstances.

HB 685
Chapter 790**Delegate Hinebaugh****GARRETT COUNTY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2025**

Establishing certain deluxe complex restaurant and resort complex beer and wine and beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Garrett County; requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Garrett County to hold a hearing for the issuance of certain festival licenses and altering certain notice requirements for the hearing; requiring certain festival license applicants to apply to the Board in a certain manner; clarifying the entities to which the Board may issue certain multiple day and multiple event licenses; etc.

SB 826
Chapter 791**Senator McKay****GARRETT COUNTY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2025**

Establishing certain deluxe complex restaurant and resort complex beer and wine and beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Garrett County; requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Garrett County to hold a hearing for the issuance of certain festival licenses and altering certain notice requirements for the hearing; requiring certain festival license applicants to apply to the Board in a certain manner; clarifying the entities to which the Board may issue certain multiple day and multiple event licenses; etc.

SB 746
Chapter 792**Harford County Senators****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MULTIPLE LICENSES – GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITIES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a Class GSF (golf simulator facility) license to a holder of a Class B license; and clarifying that the Class GSF (golf simulator facility) license counts toward the maximum number of nine Class B alcoholic beverages licenses a holder may be issued.

HB 712
Chapter 793**Harford County Delegation****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MULTIPLE LICENSES – GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITIES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a Class GSF (golf simulator facility) license to a holder of a Class B license; and clarifying that the Class GSF (golf simulator facility) license counts toward the maximum number of nine Class B alcoholic beverages licenses a holder may be issued.

SB 798
Chapter 794**Wicomico County Senators****WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – TEMPORARY TO-GO EVENT PERMIT AND CLASS C PER DIEM MUNICIPAL TO-GO BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Establishing a temporary to-go event permit in Wicomico County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Wicomico County to issue a temporary to-go event permit to a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license; establishing a Class C per diem municipal to-go beer, wine, and liquor license in the county; authorizing the Board to issue a Class C per diem municipal to-go beer, wine, and liquor license to a municipality in the county; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; etc.

HB 655
Chapter 795**Wicomico County Delegation****WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – TEMPORARY TO-GO EVENT PERMIT AND CLASS C PER DIEM MUNICIPAL TO-GO BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Establishing a temporary to-go event permit in Wicomico County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Wicomico County to issue a temporary to-go event permit to a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license; establishing a Class C per diem municipal to-go beer, wine, and liquor license in the county; authorizing the Board to issue a Class C per diem municipal to-go beer, wine, and liquor license to a municipality in the county; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; etc.

HB 571
Chapter 796**Delegate Kipke****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS C LICENSES – EVENTS**

Authorizing a holder of certain Class C licenses in Anne Arundel County to sell beer, wine, and liquor to certain individuals for on-premises consumption during events held at the licensed premises; and requiring an outside group to obtain a per diem license from the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County if the outside group holds an event hosted by the holder of a certain Class C license.

HB 987**Chapter 797****Baltimore County Delegation**

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B-OB-CRD (OFFICE BUILDING – COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION DISTRICT) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Establishing a Class B-OB-CRD (office building – commercial revitalization district) beer, wine, and liquor license in Baltimore County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County to issue the license to an establishment that previously had or has a certain zoning classification and is at least a certain distance from a place of worship under certain circumstances and subject to certain limitations; etc.

HB 1494**Chapter 798****Howard County Delegation**

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS MT (MOVIE THEATER) LICENSE

Establishing a Class MT (movie theater) beer, wine, and liquor license in Howard County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Howard County to issue the license to the owner of a movie theater who holds a crowd control training certification; authorizing a license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor to certain patrons at retail for on-premises consumption; and authorizing the Board to set certain limitations on and requirements for the license.

SB 800**Chapter 799****Dorchester County Senators**

DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ARTS BEER AND WINE LICENSE

Establishing in Dorchester County an arts beer and wine license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer and wine for on-premises consumption; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Dorchester County to issue the license to a nonprofit or for-profit retail business that engages in the display and sale of original artwork in an arts and entertainment district; authorizing the issuance the license within 300 feet of a place of worship or a school with certain written permission; and providing an annual fee of \$250.

HB 567**Chapter 800****Dorchester County Delegation****DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ARTS BEER AND WINE LICENSE**

Establishing in Dorchester County an arts beer and wine license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer and wine for on-premises consumption; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Dorchester County to issue the license to a nonprofit or for-profit retail business that engages in the display and sale of original artwork in an arts and entertainment district; authorizing the issuance the license within 300 feet of a place of worship or a school with certain written permission; and providing an annual fee of \$250.

HB 476**Chapter 801****St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS A LICENSE QUOTA**

Altering the quota for the number of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued in the 8th election district in St. Mary's County.

HB 715**Chapter 802****Harford County Delegation****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ALTERATION OF LICENSE QUOTA**

Altering the quota used to determine the maximum number of certain alcoholic beverages licenses that the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County may issue from every 4,000 to every 4,750 individuals in the county.

SB 1036**Chapter 803****Senator Guzzone****HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS D LICENSES – DELIVERY HO. CO. 21-25**

Applying certain provisions of law relating to the delivery of alcoholic beverages in Howard County to a holder or an employee of a holder of a Class D license.

HB 1387
Chapter 804**Howard County Delegation****HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS D LICENSES – DELIVERY**

Applying certain provisions of law relating to the delivery of alcoholic beverages in Howard County to a holder or an employee of a holder of a Class D license.

HB 346
Chapter 805**Delegates Boyce and Embry****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 43RD ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – CLASS B–D–7 LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue additional B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor licenses in certain areas of the 43rd alcoholic beverages district of Baltimore City if the license applicant meets certain criteria; and extending to July 1, 2026, an alcoholic beverages license issued for a certain area for the purpose of renewal.

SB 788
Chapter 806**Senator M. Washington****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 43RD ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – CLASS B–D–7 LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue additional B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor licenses in certain areas of the 43rd alcoholic beverages district of Baltimore City if the license applicant meets certain criteria; and extending to July 1, 2026, an alcoholic beverages license issued for a certain area for the purpose of renewal.

HB 472
Chapter 807**Delegate Addison****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 45TH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area of the 45th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; and altering a geographic boundary in the 45th district within which the holder of a Class A or Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license must operate in accordance with specified hours.

SB 304**Chapter 808****Senator McCray****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 45TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area of the 45th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; and altering a geographic boundary in the 45th district within which the holder of a Class A or Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license must operate in accordance with specified hours.

SB 744**Chapter 809****Harford County Senators****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – HEARING
NOTICE**

Altering certain notice requirements before the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County may hold public hearings on proposed regulatory changes or license applications; and providing that the Board may publish a decision on certain license applications either in certain newspapers or on its website.

HB 754**Chapter 810****Harford County Delegation****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – HEARING
NOTICE**

Altering certain notice requirements before the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County may hold public hearings on proposed regulatory changes or license applications; and providing that the Board may publish a decision on certain license applications either in certain newspapers or on its website.

SB 939**Chapter 811****Senator Hayes****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
AUTHORIZATIONS AND REVISIONS**

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to impose a fee of up to \$250 for expedited processing of certain Class C per diem licenses; requiring the Board to adopt regulations related to the application process for Class C per diem licenses, including for the denial or revocation of the licenses; limiting the number of licenses that may be issued to a person for the same location within a calendar year; authorizing the issuance of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in the 40th alcoholic beverages district; etc.

HB 1172**Chapter 812****Delegate Amprey****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
AUTHORIZATIONS AND REVISIONS**

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to impose a fee of not more than \$250 for expedited processing of certain Class C per diem licenses; requiring the Board to adopt regulations related to the application process for Class C per diem licenses, including for the denial or revocation of the licenses, and limiting the number of licenses that may be issued to a person for the same location within a certain period of time; etc.

HB 746**Chapter 815****Baltimore County Delegation****BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES –
TRANSFERS**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County to approve the transfer of a Class B or Class D license existing on a certain date that is located in an eligible transferor district to another election district under certain circumstances; and limiting the number of license transfers that the Board may approve from an eligible transferor district.

HB 409**Chapter 816****Delegate Pruski****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – PART-TIME DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR – COMPENSATION**

Increasing the annual salary of a part-time deputy chief inspector employed by the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County from \$9,000 to \$18,000.

SB 568**Chapter 817****Anne Arundel County Senators****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – PART-TIME DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR – COMPENSATION**

Increasing the annual salary of a part-time deputy chief inspector employed by the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County from \$9,000 to \$18,000.

SB 571**Chapter 818****Anne Arundel County Senators****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – CLASS A (OFF-SALE) AND CLASS D (OFF-SALE) LICENSES – POPULATION RATIO QUOTA**

Establishing a population ratio quota for certain Class A (off-sale) and Class D (off-sale) licenses in Anne Arundel County; specifying a certain official map to be used to identify certain tax assessment districts for purposes of the population ratio quota; and prohibiting the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County from approving the transfer of certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain circumstances.

HB 99**Chapter 819****Delegate Rogers****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – CLASS A (OFF-SALE) AND CLASS D (OFF-SALE) LICENSES – POPULATION RATIO QUOTA**

Establishing a population ratio quota for certain Class A (off-sale) and Class D (off-sale) licenses in Anne Arundel County; specifying a certain official map to be used to identify certain tax assessment districts for purposes of the population ratio quota; and prohibiting the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County from approving the transfer of certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain circumstances.

HB 564**Chapter 820****Dorchester County Delegation****DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – VENUE BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Establishing in Dorchester County a venue beer, wine, and liquor license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises consumption during an event where food is served; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Dorchester County to issue the license to certain nonprofit or for-profit retail businesses that meet certain criteria; and authorizing the issuance of a license to an establishment that is within 300 feet of a place of worship or a school with certain written consent.

SB 802**Chapter 821****Dorchester County Senators****DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – VENUE BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Establishing in Dorchester County a venue beer, wine, and liquor license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises consumption during an event where food is served; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Dorchester County to issue the license to certain nonprofit or for-profit retail businesses that meet certain criteria; and authorizing the issuance of a license to an establishment that is within 300 feet of a place of worship or a school with certain written consent.

HB 1026
Chapter 824**Frederick County Delegation****FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – TASTING PERMITS**

Altering in Frederick County the beer and wine consumption permit to be the beer and wine tasting permit and the beer, wine, and liquor consumption permit to be the beer, wine, and liquor tasting permit; and requiring the Board to regulate the quantity of beer and wine served to an individual and the number of bottles or other containers from which the quantity is served.

SB 636
Chapter 825**Frederick County Senators****FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – TASTING PERMITS**

Altering in Frederick County the beer and wine consumption permit to be the beer and wine tasting permit and the beer, wine, and liquor consumption permit to be the beer, wine, and liquor tasting permit; requiring the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners to regulate the quantity of beer and wine served to an individual and the number of bottles or other containers from which the quantity is served; and altering the amounts of certain alcoholic beverages an individual may taste under the permits.

SB 284
Chapter 826**Senator McCray****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – HOURS OF OPERATION VIOLATIONS – CIVIL PENALTIES**

Establishing for a first offense by a holder of an alcoholic beverages license in Baltimore City of operating the licensed premises outside specified hours of operation without obtaining a certain exemption a fine of not less than \$1,000 or suspension of the license or both, and for a second or subsequent offense a fine of not less than \$2,000 and not more than \$20,000 or suspension of the license or both.

SB 1013**Chapter 827****Senator Attar****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE EXTENSION**

Extending until the end of July 1, 2026, the expiration of an alcoholic beverages license issued for the 5700 block of Falls Road in Baltimore City for transfer and renewal purposes.

HB 569**Chapter 828****Dorchester County Delegation****DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE**

Authorizing certain Class A license holders in Dorchester County to conduct tastings of liquor under certain circumstances, in addition to tastings of beer and wine; and limiting the quantity of liquor allowed per individual for tastings to 0.5 ounces from each offering and 1.5 ounces from all offerings of liquor in 1 day.

SB 839**Chapter 829****Dorchester County Senators****DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE**

Authorizing certain Class A license holders in Dorchester County to conduct tastings of liquor under certain circumstances, in addition to tastings of beer and wine; and limiting the quantity of liquor allowed per individual for tastings to 0.5 ounces from each offering and 1.5 ounces from all offerings of liquor in 1 day.

SB 910**Chapter 830****Caroline County Senators****CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL EVENT VENUE LICENSE AND MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSES**

Establishing the special event venue beer, wine, and liquor license in Caroline County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Caroline County to issue the license to the owner of a venue with a certain zoning classification; authorizing holders of certain multiple event licenses in Caroline County to store alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises for use at subsequent events under certain circumstances; requiring a license holder to keep certain records of all alcoholic beverages purchased and sold on the premises; etc.

HB 1335
Chapter 831**Caroline County Delegation****CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL EVENT VENUE LICENSE AND MULTIPLE EVENT LICENSES**

Establishing the special event venue beer, wine, and liquor license in Caroline County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Caroline County to issue the license to the owner of a venue with a certain zoning classification; authorizing holders of certain multiple event licenses in Caroline County to store alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises between individual events in a certain manner; requiring the license holder to keep complete records of all alcoholic beverages purchased and sold on the premises; etc.

HB 566
Chapter 832**Dorchester County Delegation****DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – FEES**

Altering licensing fees for certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Dorchester County; and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Dorchester County to charge an application or transfer fee under certain circumstances.

SB 869
Chapter 833**Senator Mautz****DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – FEES**

Altering licensing fees for certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Dorchester County; and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Dorchester County to charge an application or transfer fee under certain circumstances.

HB 512
Chapter 834**Frederick County Delegation****FREDERICK COUNTY – BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON BEER AND WINE LICENSE – ALTERATIONS**

Increasing from 5 to 6.5 ounces of wine by the glass that a holder of a barbershop or beauty salon beer and wine license in Frederick County may provide to a certain customer for on-premises consumption.

SB 738**Chapter 835****Frederick County Senators****FREDERICK COUNTY – BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON
BEER AND WINE LICENSE – ALTERATIONS**

Increasing from 5 ounces to 6.5 ounces of wine by the glass that a holder of a barbershop or beauty salon beer and wine license in Frederick County may provide to a customer who is receiving cosmetology services or who is attending a fund-raising event at the beauty salon for on-premises consumption.

HB 1095**Chapter 836****Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEAUTY
SALON AND BARBERSHOP LICENSE MC 3–25**

Expanding eligibility for a certain beauty salon license in Montgomery County to include a holder of a certain barbershop permit; authorizing a holder of the license to provide up to 1.7 ounces of liquor for on-premises consumption in addition to beer and wine; and authorizing the holder to provide not more than 12 ounces of beer, 5 ounces of wine, or 1.7 ounces of liquor for on-premises consumption by a beauty salon or barbershop customer; and requiring an annual license fee of \$100.

HB 1174**Chapter 837****Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS
BD–BWL LICENSES – MULTIPLE LICENSES MC 18–25**

Increasing to two the number of Class BD–BWL alcoholic beverages licenses in Montgomery County that the same person may hold; and specifying that the establishment for which a second class BD–BWL license is issued shall have average daily receipts from the sale of food that exceed the average daily receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages.

SB 888**Chapter 838****Senator Henson****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
LICENSE AND PERMIT DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Authorizing, rather than prohibiting, the Board of Liquor Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to issue a certain dancing permit to the holder of a Class H beer and wine or beer, wine, and liquor license for a licensed premises located within 1,000 feet of a school located at the Annapolis Mall; and authorizing, rather than prohibiting, the Board from issuing a new Class B beer and wine or beer, wine, and liquor license if the establishment is located within 1,000 feet of a school located at the Annapolis Mall.

HB 1259**Chapter 839****Delegate Howard****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
LICENSE AND PERMIT DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Authorizing the Board of Liquor Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to issue a certain dancing permit to the holder of a Class H beer and wine or beer, wine, and liquor license for a licensed premises located within 1,000 feet of a school located at the Annapolis Mall, rather than prohibiting the Board from doing so; and authorizing the Board to issue a new Class B beer and wine or beer, wine, and liquor license to an establishment located within 1,000 feet of a school located at the Annapolis Mall.

HB 574**Chapter 840****St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES –
MULTIPLE LICENSING PLANS**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for St. Mary's County to issue not more than three Class B beer, wine, and liquor restaurant licenses to a person under certain circumstances; and prohibiting a person from having a direct or indirect interest in more than a certain number of Class B beer, wine, and liquor restaurant licenses.

HB 1145
Chapter 841**Baltimore County Delegation****BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WAITING PERIOD AFTER LICENSE DENIAL**

Establishing in Baltimore County certain waiting periods for the application for or issuance of an alcoholic beverages license at a specific location if an application for a license at that location has been previously denied.

HB 1281
Chapter 842**Delegate Kipke****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIMITED SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to issue a limited special event permit to holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses; and authorizing a permit holder to provide music, dancing, and other legal forms of entertainment.

HB 1108
Chapter 843**Allegany County Delegation****ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MINIMUM AGE FOR EMPLOYMENT OF UNDERAGE INDIVIDUALS**

Altering the minimum age for employment in Allegany County for alcoholic beverages license holders that do not derive more than half of their revenues from the sale of food from 16 years of age to 18 years of age.

2024 Chapters – Effective July 1, 2025

HB 165

Chapter 498

Delegate J. Lewis

LOCAL GOVERNMENT – ANNUAL AUDIT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – ALTERATIONS

Requiring 20% of certain State aid for highway user revenues and disparity grants to be discontinued if a county, municipality, or special taxing district does not submit a certain audit report within 2 calendar years after the deadline for the report, subject to a certain condition; and applying the Act beginning with the fiscal year 2024 audits that are required to be submitted under certain provisions of law.

HB 1165

Chapter 558

Delegate Love, et al

WATERSHED, STREAM, AND FLOODPLAIN RESTORATION – CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS RESTORATION AND STREAM AND FLOODPLAIN RESTORATION FUNDING (WHOLE WATERSHED ACT)

Requiring, in each fiscal year from 2026 through 2030, up to \$100,000 from the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used to fund certain operations grants at a rate of \$20,000 per project sponsor each fiscal year; authorizing the use of the Waterway Improvement Fund for projects that involve the beneficial use of dredged material and for certain water quality monitoring; prohibiting the Department of the Environment from reducing certain monitoring requirements for certain projects; etc.

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SB 969**Chapter 559****Senator Elfreth, et al****WATERSHED, STREAM, AND FLOODPLAIN RESTORATION – CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS RESTORATION AND STREAM AND FLOODPLAIN RESTORATION FUNDING (WHOLE WATERSHED ACT)**

Requiring, in each fiscal year from 2026 through 2030, up to \$100,000 from the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used to fund certain operations grants at a rate of \$20,000 per project sponsor each fiscal year; establishing the Whole Watershed Restoration Partnership to accelerate restoration of the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays and their watersheds; authorizing the use of the Waterway Improvement Fund for projects that involve the beneficial use of dredged material and for certain water quality monitoring; etc.

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HB 780**Chapter 612****Delegate Embry, et al****COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS – SECURITY CONTRACTS**

Providing that competitive sealed proposals is the preferred procurement method for a contract for security services with an expected value that is greater than \$1,000,000.

HB 576**Chapter 703****The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al****MENTAL HEALTH – ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAMS**

Authorizing each county to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program by July 1, 2026; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program in a county that does not opt to establish the program by July 1, 2026; requiring the Office of the Public Defender to provide representation in assisted outpatient treatment proceedings; etc.

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SB 453
Chapter 704**The President (By Request – Administration), et al****MENTAL HEALTH – ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAMS**

Authorizing each county to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program; requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on or before July 1, 2026, to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program in a county that does not opt to establish a program; and requiring the Office of the Public Defender to provide representation in assisted outpatient treatment proceedings.

Section 1 only**HB 575**
Chapter 705**The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIM COMPENSATION – ALTERATIONS (VICTIM COMPENSATION REFORM ACT OF 2024)**

Altering the composition of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; altering certain duties, powers, and procedures for the Board to make awards to victims of crime; altering the powers and duties of certain employees; altering the amount and types of awards the Board is authorized to make to certain victims of crime; authorizing reconsideration and judicial review of decisions of the Board; authorizing the Governor to include certain funding in the annual budget bill for the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund; etc.

Section 1 only**SB 1059**
Chapter 798**Senator Ellis****MATERNAL HEALTH – ASSESSMENTS, REFERRALS, AND REPORTING (MARYLAND MATERNAL HEALTH ACT OF 2024)**

Establishing requirements on certain health departments and health care providers and facilities regarding maternal health, including requirements regarding prenatal risk assessment forms and postpartum infant and maternal referral forms; requiring the Secretary of Health, in collaboration with the Maryland Health Care Commission, to develop a Maryland Report Card for Birthing Facility Maternity Care; requiring hospitals and freestanding birthing centers to participate in the Severe Maternal Morbidity Surveillance Program; etc.

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HB 1051
Chapter 799**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; requiring hospitals and freestanding birthing centers to participate in the Severe Maternal Morbidity Surveillance Program to identify risk factors and causes of Severe Maternal Morbidity; requiring the Program to report its findings and recommendations by December 1, 2025; etc.

Section 1 only**SB 938**
Chapter 812**Senators Augustine and A. Washington****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ON PROSTATE, LUNG, AND BREAST CANCER PREVENTION**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop, on or before December 1, 2026, a public education campaign on prostate, lung, and breast cancer prevention that targets communities disproportionately impacted by prostate, lung, and breast cancer; requiring the Department to implement the public education campaign on or before January 1, 2027; requiring the Governor, for fiscal years 2026 through 2030, to include an appropriation to the Department for the public education campaign from the Cigarette Restitution Fund; etc.

HB 1293
Chapter 813**Delegate Woods, et al****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ON PROSTATE, LUNG, AND BREAST CANCER PREVENTION**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop and implement a 3–year public education campaign on prostate, lung, and breast cancer prevention that targets communities disproportionately impacted by prostate, lung, and breast cancer on or before December 1, 2026; requiring the Department to implement the public education campaign on or before January 1, 2027; requiring the Governor to appropriate, in certain fiscal years, certain funding to the Department for the public information campaign from the Cigarette Restitution Fund; etc.

2023 Chapter – Effective July 1, 2025

HB 923

Chapter 634

Delegate B. Barnes, et al

**HIGHER EDUCATION – APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY AND
STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – ACCOMMODATIONS AT
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS FOR RELIGIOUS BELIEFS**

Providing that the Secretary of Higher Education is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor; requiring each institution of higher education to adopt a written policy that provides reasonable academic accommodations for students to practice sincerely held faith-based or religious beliefs; altering eligibility criteria for and the process for awards from the Delegate Howard P. Rawlings Program of Educational Excellence Awards; altering the administration of the Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship; etc.

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SB 215 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental**
Chapter 246 **– Maryland Energy Administration)**

ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS – INCOME TAX CREDIT AND GRANT PROGRAM

Altering from December 31, 2022, to December 31, 2024, the date by which an energy storage system is required to be installed for purposes of eligibility for a certain credit against the State income tax for the costs of installing an energy storage system; establishing the Energy Storage System Grant Program in the Maryland Energy Administration to provide grants to certain applicants for the purchase and installation of energy storage systems; establishing the Energy Storage System Grant Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; etc.

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