



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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HB 402
Chapter 7

Delegate Pruski

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SB 307
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WORKGROUP TO STUDY IMPLEMENTATION OF AN EXPANDED
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Establishing the Workgroup to Study Implementation of an Expanded 3–1–1 Nonemergency System; requiring the Workgroup to review a certain study completed by the Department of Information Technology in order to establish a plan to implement the recommendations of the study; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2025.

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Chapter 31 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – MEMBERSHIP ALTERATION AND SUNSET EXTENSIONS
Continuing certain health occupations boards and the Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee within the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the boards and Committee; and altering the membership of the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners.

SB 217
Chapter 32**Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – MEMBERSHIP ALTERATION AND SUNSET EXTENSIONS**

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HB 36
Chapter 33**Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)****DEPARTMENT OF AGING – AGING SERVICES – PROGRAM REPEAL AND CONSOLIDATION**

Repealing provisions of law requiring the Secretary of Aging to develop certain congregate housing and assisted living programs for seniors; repealing the Interagency Committee on Aging Services and transferring certain responsibilities of the Committee to the Department of Aging; requiring the Department, beginning in June 2025, in coordination with area stakeholders, to conduct program transition planning and to co-design the new, consolidated program required by the Act; etc.

Section 3 only

SB 212
Chapter 34**Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)****DEPARTMENT OF AGING – AGING SERVICES – PROGRAM REPEAL AND CONSOLIDATION**

Repealing provisions of law requiring the Secretary of Aging to develop certain congregate housing and assisted living programs for seniors; repealing the Interagency Committee on Aging Services and transferring certain responsibilities of the Committee to the Department of Aging; requiring the Department to engage with key stakeholders to conduct program transition planning, to co-design the new consolidated program required by the Act, and to provide certain services to certain older adults; etc.

Section 3 only

- HB 40**
Chapter 45 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**
- NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHING LICENSES AND STAMPS – ALTERATIONS
- Altering the fees for resident consolidated senior sport fishing licenses, angler’s licenses, and trout stamps; and repealing the exemption from the requirement to obtain a trout stamp under certain circumstances for a holder of a resident consolidated senior sport fishing license.
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Chapter 46 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**
- NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHING LICENSES AND STAMPS – ALTERATIONS
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Chapter 53 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**
- PROCUREMENT – ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS – CLARIFICATION OF FEES DUE
- Specifying that fees collected for electronic transactions for procurements are those due to the State and not any fees due to a third party.
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Chapter 54 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**
- PROCUREMENT – ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS – CLARIFICATION OF FEES DUE
- Specifying that fees collected for electronic transactions for procurements are those due to the State and not any fees due to a third party.

HB 585**Chapter 67****Delegate Palakovich Carr****PROPERTY TAX – LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT – VALUATION OF PROPERTY**

Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to notify the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, within 30 days of closing and the execution and delivery of a certain regulatory agreement, that a commercial property that is developed under a certain provision of federal law has been awarded a low-income tax credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

SB 598**Chapter 68****Senator Hettleman****PROPERTY TAX – LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT – VALUATION OF PROPERTY**

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HB 791**Chapter 69****Delegate Otto, et al****SOMERSET COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – EMERGENCY SERVICES TAX**

Authorizing the County Commissioners of Somerset County to impose an emergency services tax on all property subject to the county property tax to pay costs of emergency services; and prohibiting the county commissioners from initially imposing or subsequently increasing an emergency services tax until after a public hearing is held.

SB 719**Chapter 70****Senator Carozza****SOMERSET COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – EMERGENCY SERVICES TAX**

Authorizing the County Commissioners of Somerset County to impose an emergency services tax on all property subject to the county property tax to pay costs of emergency services; prohibiting the county commissioners from initially imposing or subsequently increasing an emergency services tax until after a public hearing is held; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

HB 133**Chapter 71****Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)****STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION – NOTIFICATION OF CONSTANT YIELD TAX RATE – ALTERATION**

Altering the requirement that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation notify each taxing authority of the constant yield tax rate for each taxable year by requiring that the notice be sent by the Department to a taxing authority only on the request of the taxing authority.

SB 183**Chapter 72****Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)****STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION – NOTIFICATION OF CONSTANT YIELD TAX RATE – ALTERATION**

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HB 63
Chapter 83 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY – SUNSET
EXTENSION AND REPORT

Continuing the State Board of Public Accountancy in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit a certain report to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee on or before July 1, 2028.

SB 261
Chapter 84 **Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

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HB 136
Chapter 89 **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office of Crime Prevention and Policy)**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAM AND
TREATMENT REIMBURSEMENT

Providing that the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy, rather than the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, is responsible for payment to a physician, qualified health care provider, and hospital for providing certain services to a victim of an alleged rape or sexual offense or a victim of alleged child sexual abuse.

SB 199
Chapter 90**Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office of Crime Prevention and Policy)****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAM AND TREATMENT REIMBURSEMENT**

Providing that the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy, rather than the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, is responsible for payment to a physician, qualified health care provider, and hospital for providing certain services to a victim of an alleged rape or sexual offense or a victim of alleged child sexual abuse.

HB 1378
Chapter 104**Delegate Wilson****CIVIL ACTIONS – CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE**

Altering certain provisions relating to the award of noneconomic damages to a claimant in an action for child sexual abuse; altering certain provisions relating to the liability of the State under the Maryland Tort Claims Act and of a local government under the Local Government Tort Claims Act for certain claims of child sexual abuse; and requiring the Maryland Judiciary to report to the General Assembly by January 31, 2027, and each year thereafter, on the amount of each award and a summary of the sexual abuse claims related to the award.

SB 327
Chapter 106**Senator Hettleman****AFFORDABLE HOUSING PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES EXPANSION ACT**

Authorizing an owner of real property used for rental housing and the governing body of a county to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes agreement for maintaining at least 25% of the rental housing units located at the real property as affordable dwelling units for at least 15 years; and authorizing the governing body of the county to require the owner of real property to maintain a higher percentage of rental housing units as affordable dwelling units than the minimum percentage specified in the Act.

HB 390
Chapter 107**Delegate Korman, et al****AFFORDABLE HOUSING PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES
EXPANSION ACT**

Authorizing an owner of real property used for rental housing and the governing body of a county to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes agreement for maintaining at least 25% of the rental housing units located at the real property as affordable dwelling units for at least 15 years; and authorizing the governing body of the county to require the owner of real property to maintain a higher percentage of rental housing units as affordable dwelling units than the minimum percentage specified in the Act.

HB 877
Chapter 110**Delegate Amprey****PRISON EDUCATION DELIVERY REFORM COMMISSION –
REPORTING AND SUNSET EXTENSION**

Extending the time for submission of the interim report and final report of the Prison Education Delivery Reform Commission by 3 years; and extending the termination date for the Commission by 3 years.

HB 389
Chapter 122**Delegates Palakovich Carr and D. Jones****PROPERTY TAX – DAY CARE CENTERS, CHILD CARE HOMES,
AND CHILD CARE CENTERS**

Exempting personal property used in connection with certain large family child care homes from valuation and taxation; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or a municipal corporation to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the real property tax owed on the portion of real property used for certain large family child care homes; increasing the maximum amount of a property tax credit that may be granted for certain child care homes and centers and day care centers; etc.

SB 516**Chapter 123****Senator King, et al****PROPERTY TAX – DAY CARE CENTERS, CHILD CARE HOMES, AND CHILD CARE CENTERS**

Exempting personal property used in connection with certain large family child care homes from valuation and taxation; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or a municipal corporation to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the real property tax owed on the portion of real property used for certain large family child care homes; increasing the maximum amount of a property tax credit that may be granted for certain child care homes and centers and day care centers; etc.

HB 1200**Chapter 129****Delegate Valentine, et al****PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR RESCUE WORKER – EXPANSION TO JUDICIAL OFFICER**

Authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to provide a certain property tax credit to certain judicial officers, surviving spouses, or cohabitants; requiring the county or municipal corporation to define, by law, who is a correctional officer and judicial officer; and applying the Act retroactively to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.

SB 502**Chapter 130****Senator Corderman, et al****PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR RESCUE WORKER – EXPANSION TO JUDICIAL OFFICER**

Authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to provide a certain property tax credit to certain judicial officers, surviving spouses, or cohabitants; requiring the county or municipal corporation to define, by law, who is a correctional officer and judicial officer; and applying the Act retroactively to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.

HB 1085
Chapter 169**Delegate Fair, et al****HOUSING AUTHORITIES – TAX-EXEMPT STATUS – MODIFICATIONS**

Exempting certain real property owned by certain nonprofit entities created by public housing authorities from State and local property taxation; directing certain nonprofit entities created by public housing authorities to make payment in lieu of taxes that may be set by mutual agreement with a political subdivision; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

SB 550
Chapter 170**Senators McCray and Hayes****BALTIMORE CITY – PROPERTY TAX – AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE ON VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY OWNED BY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to impose, by law, the general property tax rate and a certain special property tax rate on vacant and abandoned property owned by certain nonprofit organizations that would otherwise be exempt from property tax under certain provisions of law; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

HB 1343
Chapter 175**Delegate D. Jones, et al****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – DAY CARE CENTERS AND CHILD CARE CENTERS**

Exempting personal property used in connection with certain large family child care homes from valuation and taxation in Anne Arundel County; authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or the governing body of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the real property tax owed on the portion of real property used for certain child care centers and day care centers; etc.

SB 131
Chapter 176**Senator Simonaire, et al****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT –
SUPERMARKETS**

Authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes certain construction and is located in a certain food desert retail incentive area; requiring the governing body to designate what constitutes a food desert retail incentive area for purposes of the tax credit; etc.

HB 598
Chapter 177**Delegate D. Jones, et al****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT –
SUPERMARKETS**

Authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes certain construction and is located in a certain food desert retail incentive area; requiring the governing body to designate what constitutes a food desert retail incentive area for purposes of the tax credit; etc.

HB 447
Chapter 178**Delegate Chisholm****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT –
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF THE CHESAPEAKE,
INCORPORATED**

Altering the name of Arundel Habitat for Humanity, Inc., to be Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake, Incorporated, for purposes of a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation tax imposed on the entity; and authorizing the tax credit for any real property owned by the entity.

SB 178
Chapter 179**Senator Simonaire, et al****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT –
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF THE CHESAPEAKE,
INCORPORATED**

Altering the name of Arundel Habitat for Humanity, Inc., to be Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake, Incorporated, for purposes of a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation tax imposed on the entity; authorizing the tax credit for any real property owned by the entity; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

SB 894
Chapter 195**Senator M. Washington****OFFICE OF SOCIAL EQUITY – COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT
AND REPAIR FUND – MODIFICATIONS**

Repealing provisions of law requiring the Office of Social Equity to report on the Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund and to solicit public input on the uses of the Fund and publish a review of the input; requiring the Office to oversee the appropriation of funds from the Fund and to train Fund recipients; altering certain limitations on the use of the Fund; limiting certain administrative costs to administer the Fund to a certain amount; requiring counties to administer funds from the Fund in a certain manner; etc.

SB 774
Chapter 208**Senators Hershey and Zucker****PROPERTY TAX – PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES AGREEMENTS
– BROADBAND SERVICE PROVIDERS**

Authorizing the governing body of a county to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes agreement with a provider of broadband service located in the county for property located in the county and owned by the provider; requiring that an agreement for a negotiated payment in lieu of taxes specify the amount to be paid each year and exempt all or part of the providers real and personal property in the county from county property tax; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

HB 969
Chapter 209**Delegate A. Johnson, et al****PROPERTY TAX – PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES AGREEMENTS
– BROADBAND SERVICE PROVIDERS**

Authorizing the governing body of a county to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes agreement with a provider of broadband service located in the county for property located in the county and owned by the provider; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

HB 1016
Chapter 214**Delegate Wells (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)****BALTIMORE CONVENTION AND TOURISM REDEVELOPMENT
AND OPERATING AUTHORITY TASK FORCE – REVISIONS**

Requiring the Baltimore Convention and Tourism Redevelopment and Operating Authority Task Force to identify certain funding sources and mechanisms, and to submit a report to the Governor, the Mayor of Baltimore City, and the General Assembly on its findings and recommendations by December 1, 2025; and extending the termination date for the Task Force from June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

HB 750
Chapter 236**Washington County Delegation****WASHINGTON COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Altering eligibility requirements for a certain property tax credit for certain business entities that invest a certain amount in certain real property in Washington County and create a certain number of new and permanent full-time jobs in the county; and altering the amount and duration of the property tax credit.

HB 782
Chapter 244**Delegate Atterbeary, et al****STUDY ON DETECTING DEADLY WEAPONS IN PUBLIC MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS**

Requiring the Maryland Center for School Safety to study how best to detect deadly weapons in public middle and high schools and how best to rapidly report the detection of weapons to a law enforcement agency; requiring the Center to request any available assessment technologies evaluated under the Act; and requiring the Center to issue an interim report by December 1, 2025, and a final report on the findings of the study, in a manner that does not jeopardize school safety, by December 1, 2026.

HB 910
Chapter 284**Delegate Wolek, et al****PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION FOR BLIND INDIVIDUALS – ALTERATION**

Increasing the amount of a certain property tax exemption for dwelling houses owned by blind individuals or their surviving spouses from \$15,000 to \$40,000.

SB 911
Chapter 285**Senator Attar, et al****PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION FOR BLIND INDIVIDUALS – ALTERATION**

Increasing the amount of a certain property tax exemption for dwelling houses owned by blind individuals or their surviving spouses from \$15,000 to \$40,000; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

HB 412
Chapter 303**Delegate Korman****ELECTIONS – LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS – OPEN MEETING REQUIREMENTS (LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS TRANSPARENCY ACT)**

Requiring each local board of elections to make available on its website each open meeting agenda, a summary of any finalized documents, certain written testimony, and other materials on which the board will be voting; requiring each local board to provide live video streaming of each open meeting and to maintain a complete and unedited archived video recording of each open meeting for 5 years; requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations to ensure that the streaming requirements are met in a certain manner; etc.

SB 337
Chapter 304**Senator Kagan****ELECTIONS – LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS – OPEN MEETING REQUIREMENTS (LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS TRANSPARENCY ACT)**

Requiring each local board of elections to make available on its website each open meeting agenda, a summary of any finalized documents, certain written testimony, and other materials on which the board will be voting; requiring each local board to provide live video streaming of each open meeting and to maintain a complete and unedited archived video recording of each open meeting for 5 years; requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations to ensure that the streaming requirements are met in a certain manner; etc.

HB 793
Chapter 316**Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – University System of Maryland)****UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – ACADEMIC FACILITIES BONDING AUTHORITY**

Approving certain projects for the acquisition, development, and improvement of certain academic facilities for the University System of Maryland; authorizing the issuance of bonds by the University System of Maryland in a total principal amount of \$25,000,000 for financing the projects; and providing that the bonds issued under the authority of the Act are not a debt or obligation of the State or any of its subdivisions.

SB 313**Chapter 320****Senator M. Washington****ELECTION LAW – POSTELECTION TABULATION AUDITS – RISK-LIMITING AUDITS**

Requiring the State Board of Elections, in collaboration with the local boards of elections, to conduct a risk-limiting audit after each statewide election; authorizing the State Board, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct a risk-limiting audit after a special general election; authorizing, rather than requiring, the State Board, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct an automated software audit after a statewide election; authorizing a local board to conduct a risk-limiting audit under certain circumstances; etc.

HB 426**Chapter 321****Delegates Kaiser and Wilkins****ELECTION LAW – POSTELECTION TABULATION AUDITS – RISK-LIMITING AUDITS**

Requiring the State Board of Elections, in collaboration with the local boards of elections, to conduct a risk-limiting audit after each statewide election; authorizing the State Board, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct a risk-limiting audit after a special general election; authorizing the State Board, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct an automated software audit after a statewide election; authorizing a local board to conduct a risk-limiting audit of a local contest under certain circumstances; etc.

HB 102**Chapter 363****Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)****FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM – REVISIONS**

Defining “anchor date” to establish certain reference points for the calculation of a certain covered employee’s average weekly wage and eligibility for increases in weekly benefits under the Family Medical Leave and Insurance Program; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt regulations establishing an optional self-employed enrollment program governing the participation of self-employed individuals in the Program; repealing certain requirements related to contributions made by certain participating individuals; etc.

SB 341**Chapter 372****Senator McCray****BALTIMORE CITY – RAFFLES – ORGANIZATIONS AFFILIATED WITH A PROFESSIONAL MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL TEAM**

Authorizing organizations that are affiliated with a professional major league baseball team that plays its home games in Baltimore City to conduct certain raffles; requiring the organization to obtain a permit to conduct raffles; providing that raffle tickets may only be sold using age-verification measures to ensure the buyer is at least 18 years old; providing that, subject to certain limitations, an organization conducting a raffle is not subject to a certain provision of law prohibiting the acceptance of credit as payment; etc.

SB 175**Chapter 384****Senators Lewis Young and Brooks****PUBLIC SAFETY – FUEL GAS PIPING SYSTEMS AND CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING – PROHIBITIONS AND STUDY**

Prohibiting the sale, offer for sale, transfer, or distribution of non-arc-resistant jacketed corrugated stainless steel tubing; establishing a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for a violation of the Act; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor and the Office of the State Fire Marshal to conduct a study and make recommendations related to preventing the fire hazards associated with commonly used fuel gas piping systems including gas piping and corrugated stainless steel tubing, in residential and commercial buildings; etc.

HB 222**Chapter 385****Delegate Stein, et al****PUBLIC SAFETY – FUEL GAS PIPING SYSTEMS AND CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING – PROHIBITIONS AND STUDY**

Prohibiting the sale, offer for sale, transfer, or distribution of non-arc-resistant jacketed corrugated stainless steel tubing; providing a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for a violation of the Act; and requiring the Maryland Department of Labor and the Office of the State Fire Marshal, by September 1, 2026, to submit a final report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly with recommendations related to preventing the fire hazards associated with commonly used fuel gas piping systems.

SB 623**Chapter 408****Senator Bailey****ST. MARY’S COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND**

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of St. Mary’s County to borrow not more than \$71,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in St. Mary’s County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

HB 19**Chapter 416****Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – NURSING – LOAN REPAYMENT, EDUCATION, AND SUNSET EXTENSION (BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR NURSES ACT OF 2025)**

Expanding the purpose of the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Nurses and Nursing Support Staff; requiring the Department to prioritize funding for nurses or nursing support staff who practice in an area with a shortage of nurses or nursing support staff or who practice in a specialty where a shortage has been identified; altering certain education requirements for licensure; repealing a certain requirement that the State Board of Nursing approve certain nursing assistant training program sites within a certain time period; etc.

Except Section 2**HB 833****Chapter 423****Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND**

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County to borrow not more than \$36,900,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Carroll County and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

SB 596
Chapter 428**Washington County Senators****PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION AND PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES
– THE HAGERSTOWN MULTI-USE SPORTS AND EVENTS
FACILITY, INC.**

Exempting from the property tax property that is owned by The Hagerstown Multi-Use Sports and Events Facility, Inc., and used primarily for public social, recreational, and entertainment purposes; and authorizing the Hagerstown Multi-Use Sports and Events Facility, Inc. to pay to the governing body of Washington County or the City of Hagerstown an amount, if any, that may be set by mutual agreement in lieu of the taxes that would otherwise be due on all or part of the facility.

SB 901
Chapter 431**Senator Augustine, et al****ENVIRONMENT – PACKAGING AND PAPER PRODUCTS –
PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY PLANS**

Requiring certain producers of covered materials, individually or as part of a producer responsibility organization, to submit a certain covered materials producer responsibility plan to the Department of the Environment for review and approval on or before July 1, 2028, and every 5 years thereafter, in accordance with certain requirements, or to develop an alternative collection program; requiring a producer responsibility organization to pay certain costs to the Department; etc.

SB 250
Chapter 432**Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By
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.

Except Sections 2, 3, and 4

HB 1125
Chapter 455**Delegate Clippinger****WORKGROUP ON HOME DETENTION MONITORING – REPORT ALTERATIONS AND DATA COLLECTION**

Requiring the Workgroup on Home Detention Monitoring to study and make recommendations to the General Assembly regarding certain policies, practices, and responses when a person violates a condition of home detention monitoring; and requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to collect and report to the Workgroup certain data on or before September 1 each year.

HB 658
Chapter 456**Delegate Ebersole****JUVENILE SERVICES EDUCATION BOARD – ALTERATIONS**

Authorizing the Secretary of Higher Education and the State Superintendent of Schools to select a designee to serve on the Juvenile Services Education Board; altering the terms of membership for the Board; and altering certain requirements for meetings of the Board.

SB 154
Chapter 457**Senators Hettleman and Guzzone****ACCESS TO COUNSEL IN EVICTIONS – TASK FORCE AND SPECIAL FUND**

Extending through fiscal year 2028 distributions by the Comptroller from funds gained from abandoned property in the State to the Access to Counsel in Evictions Special Fund; altering the staff and duties of the Access to Counsel in Evictions Task Force; and extending through fiscal year 2028 an annual \$14,000,000 appropriation by the Governor from the Access to Counsel in Evictions Special Fund to the Maryland Legal Services Corporation.

HB 1082
Chapter 468**Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – INDIVIDUAL MARKET STABILIZATION
– ESTABLISHMENT OF THE STATE–BASED HEALTH
INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PROGRAM**

Establishing the State–Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program to provide subsidies to individuals in the State to mitigate the impact of a reduction in certain federal advance premium tax credits for calendar years 2026 through 2028; and requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to implement the Program under certain circumstances.

HB 1045
Chapter 469**Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE, FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES, AND
CONFIDENTIALITY OF MEDICAL RECORDS – CONSUMER
PROTECTIONS – UPDATES**

Updating references to federal law related to family planning services, grandfathered plans, explanation of benefits, summaries of benefits and coverage, medical loss ratios, catastrophic plans, annual limits for cost sharing, prescription drugs, and rescissions; altering the definitions of “legally protected health care” and “sensitive health services” to include gender–affirming care for purposes of law governing the disclosure of information regarding sensitive health services; etc.

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.

Except Sections 1 and 3

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.

Except Sections 1 and 3

SB 372**Chapter 481****Senator Beidle, et al****PRESERVE TELEHEALTH ACCESS ACT OF 2025**

Repealing the limitation on the period during which the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations are required to provide reimbursement for certain health care services provided through telehealth on a certain basis and at a certain rate; altering the circumstances under which health care practitioners are authorized to prescribe certain controlled dangerous substances for the treatment of pain through telehealth; etc.

HB 869**Chapter 482****Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al****PRESERVE TELEHEALTH ACCESS ACT OF 2025**

Repealing the limitation on the period during which the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations are required to provide reimbursement for certain health care services provided through telehealth on a certain basis and at a certain rate; altering the circumstances under which health care practitioners are authorized to prescribe certain controlled dangerous substances for the treatment of pain through telehealth; etc.

SB 764**Chapter 487****Senator Zucker, et al****STATE DESIGNATIONS – STATE COCKTAIL AND STATE MINERAL – ORIGINAL MARYLAND ORANGE CRUSH AND CHROMITE**

Designating the orange crush cocktail originated in 1995 at the Harborside Bar and Grill in Ocean City, Maryland as the State cocktail; and designating chromite, which reflects the nature of Maryland's rich mining history and vast mineral resources, as the State mineral.

SB 833**Chapter 528****Senator Charles****DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – STUDY ON PRIVATE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE HOMES**

Requiring the Department of Human Services to conduct a study to determine the types of State support that would be appropriate and beneficial to assist private providers of treatment foster care homes in the provision of services; and requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations on or before December 1, 2025.

SB 858**Chapter 541****Senator Henson****STATE PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICE AND STATIONS – EXCLUSION FOR ASSAULT AND BODILY INJURY**

Providing that a person alleged to have committed an assault or other intentional act causing bodily injury may be prohibited from using a State public transit service or entering a State public transit service station; requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to create a rider code of conduct and implement a comprehensive internal safety program to strengthen protections for operators and passengers; requiring the Administration to convene a workgroup to create a rider code of conduct; etc.

HB 1144
Chapter 542**Delegate Addison, et al****STATE PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICE AND STATIONS –
EXCLUSION FOR ASSAULT AND BODILY INJURY**

Providing that a person alleged by a public transit operator to have committed an assault or other intentional act causing bodily injury may be prohibited from using a State public transit service or entering a State public transit service station; requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to create a rider code of conduct and implement a comprehensive internal safety program to strengthen protection for operators and passengers; etc.

HB 913
Chapter 567**Delegate Wells (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)****BALTIMORE CITY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS –
INTERSTATE 83**

Increasing from two to four the number of speed monitoring systems that may be placed on Interstate 83 in Baltimore City; limiting to not more than one speed monitoring system in each direction that may be in operation at the same time on Interstate 83 in Baltimore City; and making permanent the authorization to place speed monitoring systems on Interstate 83 in Baltimore City.

HB 388
Chapter 568**Delegates Roberson and Crutchfield****VEHICLE LAWS – DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING – POINTS
ASSESSMENTS**

Imposing assessments of 12 points for certain subsequent drunk and drugged driving violations.

SB 813
Chapter 585**Howard County Senators****HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE – BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MEETINGS, AND CONTRACTS – ALTERATIONS HO. CO. 1–25**

Adding two members to the Board of Community College Trustees for Howard County; requiring each meeting of the Board to allow for public comment; requiring the Board to make a video or audio recording of its meetings which are to be made available on the Board’s website; requiring Board members to undergo certain training specific to Board governance; and requiring the Board to submit a report to the General Assembly by January 1, 2026, and every 6 months thereafter until a contract is finalized, on the status of the faculty union contract.

HB 964
Chapter 588**Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – TASK FORCE ON THE DISPLACEMENT OF RESIDENTS OF EMORY GROVE MC 5–25**

Establishing the Task Force on the Displacement of Residents of Emory Grove to study how urban renewal caused the displacement of residents from the Emory Grove community and make recommendations on potential remedies to those who were displaced by urban renewal; requiring the Task Force to submit an interim report by December 15, 2025, and a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Montgomery County Council, the Montgomery County Executive, the Montgomery County Delegation, and the General Assembly by December 15, 2026.

HB 749
Chapter 600**Washington County Delegation****WASHINGTON COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS USED FOR AGRITOURISM**

Adding Washington County to the list of counties that exempt agricultural buildings used for agritourism from certain building performance standards and where an existing agricultural building used for agritourism is not considered a change of occupancy that requires a building permit under certain circumstances.

HB 351
Chapter 603**The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2025, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, AND 2024

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,814,825,000, the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes; etc.

Except Sections 13, 14, 15, and 16

HB 352
Chapter 604**The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**

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.

Except Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7

SB 937
Chapter 625**The President, et al**

ELECTRICITY AND GAS – EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS, RATE REGULATION, COST RECOVERY, INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING, RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD, AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (NEXT GENERATION ENERGY ACT)

Authorizing the Department of Housing and Community Development to issue loans, in addition to grants, for certain purposes relating to reducing direct greenhouse gas emissions from certain multifamily residential buildings; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration, in coordination with the Public Service Commission and the Department of Natural Resources, to pursue certain agreements with neighboring states and federal agencies related to the development of new nuclear energy generation stations; etc.

HB 1035
Chapter 626**The Speaker and Delegate Wilson**

ELECTRICITY AND GAS – EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS, RATE REGULATION, COST RECOVERY, INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING, RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD, AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (NEXT GENERATION ENERGY ACT)

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HB 1519
Chapter 643**Delegate Chang**

PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS OF STATE DEBT – ALTERATIONS

Amending certain prior authorizations of State Debt to change the names of certain grantees, alter the authorized uses of certain grants, and extend the termination date of certain grants.

SB 854
Chapter 644**Senator Lewis Young**

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIVES – REVISIONS

Altering the scope of practice of licensed direct-entry midwives; providing that the practice of direct-entry midwifery is independent and not does not require oversight by another health care practitioner; repealing the requirement that licensed direct-entry midwives report certain information to the Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee; altering the disciplinary actions that may be taken against a licensed direct-entry midwife or an applicant for a license; etc.

HB 838**Chapter 645****Delegate Cullison, et al****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIVES – REVISIONS**

Altering the scope of practice of licensed direct-entry midwives; providing that the practice of direct-entry midwifery is independent and not does not require oversight by another health care practitioner; repealing the requirement that licensed direct-entry midwives report certain information to the Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee; altering the disciplinary actions that may be taken against a licensed direct-entry midwife or an applicant for a license; etc.

HB 11**Chapter 660****Delegate Sample-Hughes, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – ACCESS TO NONPARTICIPATING PROVIDERS – REFERRALS, ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE, AND COVERAGE**

Repealing the June 30, 2025, termination date for certain provisions of law related to referrals to and reimbursement of specialists and nonphysician specialists who are not part of a carrier's provider panel; prohibiting certain carriers from imposing utilization review requirements other than would be required if the covered benefit was provided by a provider on the carrier's provider panel under certain circumstances; etc.

Except Section 1**SB 902****Chapter 661****Senator Augustine****HEALTH INSURANCE – ACCESS TO NONPARTICIPATING PROVIDERS – REFERRALS, ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE, AND COVERAGE**

Repealing the June 30, 2025, termination date for certain provisions of law related to referrals to and reimbursement of specialists and nonphysician specialists who are not part of a carrier's provider panel; prohibiting certain carriers from imposing utilization review requirements other than would be required if the covered benefit was provided by a provider on the carrier's provider panel under certain circumstances; etc.

Except Section 1

HB 848
Chapter 669**Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – ADVERSE DECISIONS – NOTICES, REPORTING, AND EXAMINATIONS**

Requiring that certain adverse decision and grievance decision notices include certain information in a certain manner; requiring that the information regarding criteria and standards for utilization review that a private review agent is required to post on its website or the carrier's website be posted on the member's and provider's pages of the websites; requiring that certain information submitted to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner be aggregated by zip code; etc.

Except Section 2**SB 474**
Chapter 670**Senator Beidle****HEALTH INSURANCE – ADVERSE DECISIONS – NOTICES, REPORTING, AND EXAMINATIONS**

Requiring that certain adverse decision and grievance decision notices include certain information in a certain manner; requiring certain carriers, if the number of adverse decisions issued by the carrier for a type of service has grown by 10% or more in the immediately preceding calendar year or 25% or more in the immediately preceding 3 calendar years, to provide certain information to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner; authorizing the Commissioner to use certain adverse decision information as the basis of an examination; etc.

Except Section 2**SB 776**
Chapter 671**Senator Beidle****WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE RISE IN ADVERSE DECISIONS IN THE STATE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Workgroup to Study the Rise in Adverse Decisions in the State Health Care System to review existing State adverse decision reporting requirements for all health payers in the State and make recommendations to improve State reporting on adverse decisions; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations on or before December 1, 2025.

HB 995
Chapter 672**Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al****WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE RISE IN ADVERSE DECISIONS IN THE STATE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Workgroup to Study the Rise in Adverse Decisions in the State Health Care System to make recommendations to improve State reporting on adverse decisions, reduce the number of adverse decisions, and develop recommendations for legislation to address the rise in adverse decisions; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

SB 376
Chapter 680**Senator Kramer, et al****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE QUALITY – NURSING HOME INSPECTIONS – REPORTING**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, beginning July 1, 2025, to report quarterly to certain committees of the General Assembly on disaggregated data regarding nursing home inspections in each county; and requiring the Office of Health Care Quality, beginning July 1, 2025, to report to the local area agency on aging for each county the name of each nursing home in the county that was surveyed in the immediately preceding 6 months and the date each survey was conducted.

HB 718
Chapter 696**Delegate Rosenberg, et al****MARYLAND HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE PROTECTION COMMISSION – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Maryland Health Insurance Coverage Protection Commission to monitor and assess the impact of potential and actual federal changes to specified health care programs and to provide recommendations for State and local action to protect the access of residents of the State to affordable health coverage; and requiring the Commission to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any legislative proposals, to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31 each year.

SB 459**Chapter 710****Senator Gile****EDUCATION AND HEALTH – EMERGENCY USE EPINEPHRINE – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the defined term “auto–injectable epinephrine” to be “emergency use epinephrine” and to include certain drug delivery devices and products; and altering the name of the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program to be the Emergency Use Epinephrine Program.

HB 420**Chapter 711****Delegate Palakovich Carr****EDUCATION AND HEALTH – EMERGENCY USE EPINEPHRINE – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the defined term “auto–injectable epinephrine” to be “emergency use epinephrine” and to include certain drug delivery devices and products; and altering the name of the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program to be the Emergency Use Epinephrine Program.

HB 1222**Chapter 718****Delegate Williams, et al****PUBLIC SAFETY – IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT (MARYLAND VALUES ACT)**

Requiring federal law enforcement officers to notify certain individuals of federal immigration action at certain sensitive locations; prohibiting certain schools, libraries, and units of State or local government that operate at certain sensitive locations from allowing certain federal personnel access to areas not accessible to the general public, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the Attorney General to develop and publish certain guidance regarding immigration enforcement actions at certain sensitive locations; etc.

HB 813
Chapter 730**Delegate S. Johnson, et al****MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION AND MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – WORKGROUP TO STUDY
PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS**

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration and the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with the Prescription Drug Affordability Board, to convene a workgroup to study and review reimbursement for pharmacists; and requiring the workgroup to submit an interim report by December 31, 2025, and a final report on their findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2026.

HB 933
Chapter 733**Delegate Martinez, et al****NURSING HOMES – COST REPORTS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to review the cost reports and other data submitted by each nursing home that participates in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; and requiring the Department to report the findings resulting from the review conducted under the Act to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly by October 1, 2025, and each October 1 thereafter through 2029.

HB 1315
Chapter 738**Delegate Guzzone, et al****VACCINATIONS BY PHARMACISTS AND HEALTH INSURANCE
COVERAGE FOR IMMUNIZATIONS**

Altering the vaccinations that a pharmacist may administer, subject to certain requirements, to an individual of at least a certain age; and altering the vaccinations included in the minimum package of child wellness services for which certain health insurers and nonprofit health service plans are required to provide coverage to include those recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as of December 31, 2024.

HB 974
Chapter 745**Delegate Shetty, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – PREVENTIVE SERVICES – HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLANS AND ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY**

Clarifying the application of certain health insurance preventive services coverage requirements to certain high deductible health plans; and requiring the Insurance Commissioner to enforce certain provisions of law related to preventive services consistent with the recommendations and guidelines set by certain federal agencies in effect on December 31, 2024.

HB 1478
Chapter 748**Delegate Hill, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – REPORT ON ESTABLISHING A DIRECTORY OF HOME HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with certain stakeholders, to submit a report on the feasibility of establishing and maintaining an online directory of home health care providers to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2025.

HB 855
Chapter 749**Delegate Hill****WORKGROUP ON ESTABLISHING A SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY BEST PRACTICES AND INNOVATION NETWORK – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the membership of the Workgroup on Establishing a Science and Technology Best Practices and Innovation Network; and extending the workgroup to June 30, 2027.

SB 544
Chapter 761**Senators Bailey and M. Jackson****FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS – PORTABLE CHEMICAL TOILETS**

Authorizing food establishments that are businesses that conduct agritourism, Class 4 limited wineries, or Class 8 farm breweries to comply with the requirement to provide a convenient lavatory by providing a portable chemical toilet that is supplied with approved hand drying devices, kept in a sanitary condition, properly ventilated, and is placed at least 25 feet from a well.

HB 559
Chapter 762**Delegate T. Morgan****FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS – PORTABLE CHEMICAL TOILETS**

Authorizing food establishments that are businesses that conduct agritourism, Class 4 limited wineries, or Class 8 farm breweries to comply with the requirement to provide a convenient lavatory by providing a portable chemical toilet that is supplied with approved hand drying devices, kept in a sanitary condition, is properly ventilated, and is placed at least 25 feet from a well.

HB 1072
Chapter 764**Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM –
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES – REPEAL**

Requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to certify certain employer contribution rates each fiscal year; requiring the employer contribution rates to include recognition of certain administrative and operational expenses; repealing a requirement that certain administrative and operational expenses of the State Retirement and Pension System and the State Retirement Agency be funded by charging each participating employer an administrative fee for each system participant; etc.

SB 862
Chapter 765**Senator M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM –
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES – REPEAL**

Requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to certify certain employer contribution rates each fiscal year; requiring the employer contribution rates to include recognition of certain administrative and operational expenses; repealing a requirement that certain administrative and operational expenses of the State Retirement and Pension System and the State Retirement Agency be funded by charging each participating employer an administrative fee for each system participant; etc.

SB 457
Chapter 768**Senator M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – TRANSFERS
BETWEEN SYSTEMS – WORKGROUP**

Requiring the State Retirement and Pension System to convene a workgroup to study transfers of member service between State and local retirement and pension systems; and requiring the Agency to submit a report of the workgroup's findings and recommendations, including any need for legislative initiatives, to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

HB 584
Chapter 769**Delegate Forbes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – TRANSFERS
BETWEEN SYSTEMS – WORKGROUP**

Requiring the State Retirement and Pension System to convene a workgroup to study transfers of member service between State and local retirement and pension systems; and requiring the Agency to submit a report of the Workgroup's findings and recommendations, including the need for any legislative initiatives, to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

HB 784
Chapter 813**Delegate Clippinger, et al****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES –
ALTERATIONS**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to provide a certain waiver from certain requirements for a restaurant within a certain bounded area in the 46th alcoholic beverages district; expanding the class of license to which a certain requirement for a memorandum of understanding applies to include any alcoholic beverages license in Baltimore City; providing an exception to a certain prohibition against the Board allowing a certain license transfer under certain circumstances; etc.

SB 662**Chapter 814****Senator Ferguson****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ALTERATIONS**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to provide a certain waiver from certain requirements for a restaurant within a certain bounded area in the 46th alcoholic beverages district; expanding the class of license to which a certain requirement for a memorandum of understanding applies to include any alcoholic beverages license in Baltimore City; authorizing the Board to issue a certain alcoholic beverages license for a certain location in the 40th alcoholic beverages district; etc.

HB 866**Chapter 822****Frederick County Delegation****FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS C (THEATER) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Establishing a Class C (theater) beer, wine, and liquor license in Frederick County; authorizing the manager of the theater or any other official designated by the theater to sign the application for the license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue the license for use by certain theaters; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption, subject to certain limitations; establishing an annual license fee of \$150; etc.

SB 670**Chapter 823****Frederick County Senators****FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS C (THEATER) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Establishing a Class C (theater) beer, wine, and liquor license in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue the license for use by certain theaters; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption, subject to certain limitations; establishing an annual license fee of \$150; etc.

HB 738**Chapter 845****Delegate Kaiser, et al****DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS – OVERSIGHT**

Providing that a unit of State government may not purchase, lease, contract for, or rent an information technology service or product unless consistent with the master plan, as determined by the Secretary of Information Technology; providing that the Secretary is responsible for overseeing the implementation of major information technology development projects in the State; establishing the Maryland Office of Digital Experience in the Department to provide oversight, leadership, and strategic modernization for major technology projects; etc.

SB 705**Chapter 846****Senators Hester and Hershey****DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS – OVERSIGHT**

Providing that a unit of State government may not purchase, lease, contract for, or rent an information technology service or product unless consistent with the master plan, as determined by the Secretary of Information Technology; providing that the Secretary is responsible for overseeing the implementation of major information technology development projects in the State; establishing the Maryland Office of Digital Experience in the Department to provide oversight, leadership, and strategic modernization for major technology projects; etc.

2024 Chapters – Effective June 1, 2025

SB 760

Senator Kramer

Chapter 463

**CONSUMER PROTECTION – RETAIL SALES OF GIFT CARDS
(GIFT CARD SCAMS PREVENTION ACT OF 2024)**

Prohibiting a merchant from selling a certain open– or closed–loop gift card to a consumer unless the merchant meets certain requirements; requiring a certain merchant to provide training to all employees of the merchant on identifying and responding to gift card fraud; requiring the Division of Consumer Protection to create a certain notice and issue certain guidelines regarding gift card fraud; requiring a certain third–party gift card reseller to record and maintain a copy of certain information for at least 3 years; etc.

Except Section 2

SB 361

The President (By Request – Administration)

Chapter 720

**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED
CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2024, AND THE MARYLAND
CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2015, 2016, 2017,
2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, AND 2023**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,845,046,000, the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes, subject to certain matching fund requirements; etc.

Section 13 only

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2023 Chapter – Effective June 1, 2025

HB 201 Chapter 102

The Speaker (By Request – Administration)

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2023, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, AND 2022

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,218,639,000, the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes; etc.

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2022 Chapters – Effective June 1, 2025

SB 291

Chapter 344

The President (By Request – Administration)

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2022, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, AND 2021

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,219,361,000, the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes, subject to certain requirements; etc.

Section 15 only

Effective June 30, 2025

HB 318

Chapter 419

Delegate Stein

ENVIRONMENT – ON-SITE WASTEWATER SERVICES – REGULATION

Establishing the State Board of On-Site Wastewater Professionals in the Department of the Environment to regulate individuals who provide on-site wastewater services in the State and to establish minimum standards for certain on-site wastewater systems; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Board, to set certain fees for the issuance and renewal of licenses and other Board-provided services; establishing the On-Site Wastewater Professionals Fund; requiring the Board to establish a certain code of ethics; etc.

Section 3 only

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