



# SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2025 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 9, 2025**  
**Schedule 2**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** January 17 – Bill request deadline.  
February 7 – Bill introduction deadline.  
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 6.  
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

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## **HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 9, 2025**

### **HB 292 Delegate Holmes**

COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS, CONDOMINIUMS, AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – FUNDING OF RESERVE ACCOUNTS AND PREPARATION OF FUNDING PLANS

Requiring that the annual budget of a cooperative housing corporation, a residential condominium, or a homeowners association include certain funds; requiring that certain funds for certain reserve accounts be deposited on or before the last day of each fiscal year; requiring that certain updated reserve studies be prepared by a certain person; requiring the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation, a residential condominium, or a homeowners association to prepare a certain funding plan subject to certain requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CA, § 5-6B-26.1 and RP, §§ 11-109.2(b) and (c), 11-109.4, 11B-112.2(c) and (d), and 11B-112.3 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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**HB 293 Delegates Pippy and Simpson****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CHILD VICTIMS – TESTIMONY IN CHILD ABUSE CASES**

Altering a certain requirement under which a court is authorized to order that the testimony of a child victim be taken outside a courtroom and shown in the courtroom by closed circuit television in certain child abuse cases.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CP, § 11-303 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 294 Delegate Holmes****TASK FORCE ON COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES**

Establishing the Task Force on Common Ownership Communities to study the education and training needs of common ownership community boards and new and prospective owners of homes and dwelling units in common ownership communities; and requiring the Task Force to submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2026.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2025

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 295 Delegate Holmes****REAL PROPERTY – CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – GOVERNING BODIES AND ANNUAL MEETINGS**

Requiring that unit owners or lot owners have an opportunity to comment during certain meetings convened by the board of directors, the developer, or the declarant of a condominium or a homeowners association; requiring the developer of a condominium to appoint a unit owner, not otherwise affiliated with the developer, to the board within 30 days after the date on which units representing 25% of the votes have been conveyed by the developer to members of the public for residential purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

RP, §§ 11-108(c)(1), 11-109(a) and (c), 11-109.4(c)(2), 11-116, 11B-106.1, 11B-111, 11B-111.6(d), and 11B-112(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 296 Delegate Charkoudian****PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION FOR LOW ASSESSMENTS  
– ALTERATION**

Altering an exemption from the personal property tax for business personal property that has a total original cost below \$20,000 by repealing a provision of law that prohibits the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from collecting information or requiring the submission of a personal property tax return from certain businesses that qualify for the exemption; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2025

TP, § 7-245 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 297 Delegate Kerr****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; and repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law that establish and govern the funding for the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

IN, §§ 31-107 and 31-122 and Chapter 778 of the Acts of 2021, § 2, as amended - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 298 Delegate Kerr****MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION – DEMOGRAPHIC  
DATA COLLECTION – PARENTAL STATUS**

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to collect certain data regarding the parental status of students from each public institution of higher education in the State using questions developed by the Commission and the institutions; requiring public institutions of higher education to collect and report certain demographic data from students; and requiring the Commission to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by September 1, 2026, and each September 1 thereafter, a report summarizing the data collected.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

ED, § 11-409 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 299 Delegate Holmes****REAL PROPERTY – GOVERNING BODIES OF COMMON OWNERSHIP  
COMMUNITIES – MEMBER TRAINING**

Requiring certain members of a board of directors or certain officers of a council of unit owners of certain condominiums and certain members of a governing body of a homeowners association to successfully complete a training curriculum on the responsibilities of being a member or an officer in a certain manner and subject to certain requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

RP, §§ 11-109 and 11B-106.1(g) - amended and § 11B-106.1(g) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 300 Delegate Kerr****STATE GOVERNMENT – GRANTS AND CONTRACTS –  
REIMBURSEMENT OF INDIRECT COSTS**

Altering the rate at which nonprofit organizations receiving State-funded grants or contracts may be reimbursed for indirect costs to match the rate established under relevant federal guidelines.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

SF, § 2-208 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 301 Delegate Moon****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FORENSIC GENETIC GENEALOGICAL  
DNA ANALYSIS AND SEARCH – AFFIDAVIT FOR JUDICIAL  
AUTHORIZATION**

Repealing the requirement that a sworn affidavit for judicial authorization to initiate forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis and search (FGGS) assert that the reasonable investigative leads have been pursued and failed to identify the perpetrator and instead requiring that a sworn affidavit for judicial authorization assert that identity of the perpetrator is unknown.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CP, § 17-102(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 302 Delegate Moon****COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – STATEMENT OF CHARGES  
– HUMAN SERVICE WORKERS**

Expanding certain provisions of law relating to a certain investigation and recommendation by a State’s Attorney concerning the filing of a statement of charges against certain professionals to include certain human service workers.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CJ, § 2-608 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 303 Delegate Holmes****REAL PROPERTY – REGULATION OF COMMON OWNERSHIP  
COMMUNITY MANAGERS**

Creating the State Board of Common Ownership Community Managers in the Maryland Department of Labor to oversee the licensing of community managers who provide management services for common ownership communities; providing that certain provisions of the Act do not prohibit certain persons from providing certain services under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to be issued a license by the Board before providing management services for a common ownership community under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

BOP, BR, CA, RP, SF, and SG, Various Sections - renumbered, added, and amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 304 Delegate Kerr****STATE PROCUREMENT – TRANSPARENCY AND PROCEDURES**

Requiring a unit of State government to provide a certain debriefing of a contract award to certain persons on request; altering the required contents of a certain change order; altering the time within which a procurement officer shall make a decision after receiving a certain protest; specifying that certain decisions or failure to reach a decision may be considered a denial in a certain protest; altering the time within which a written notice of a claim relating to a certain procurement contract shall be made; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

SF, Various Sections - amended and §§ 13-104(h) and 15-219(h) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 305 Delegate Rosenberg****CRIMINAL LAW – INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO OR EGRESS FROM A RELIGIOUS FACILITY – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a person, acting alone or with others, from preventing another from entering or exiting a religious facility; and establishing that a violation of the Act is a misdemeanor with a penalty of imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or both on conviction.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CR, § 10-204.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 306 Delegate Holmes****COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – OMBUDSMAN UNIT, GOVERNING DOCUMENT DATABASE, AND LOCAL COMMISSIONS**

Establishing the Common Ownership Community Ombudsman Unit in the Division of Consumer Protection in the Office of the Attorney General to receive and respond to certain complaints; requiring common ownership communities to file certain documents with the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring the Department to establish a database of governing documents accessible to the public; and establishing requirements for a local common ownership commission established by the local government of a county.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

CL, § 13-207, HS, § 2-304, and RP, §§ 11C-101 through 11C-114 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation