



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 17, 2025

HB 1509 Delegate Harris

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELATIONS ACT

Establishing collective bargaining rights for public local employees; applying the Maryland Public Employee Relations Act to county and municipal government employers and their employees; providing that a public employee may be deemed a certain management employee for purposes of establishing collective bargaining rights; establishing impasse procedures for collective bargaining between public local employees and their employers that include binding arbitration; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

LG, §§ 1-2A-01 through 1-2A-07 and SG, § 22-104 - added and SG, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1510 Delegate Pippy, et al

MEDICAL RECORDS – NOTICE OF DESTRUCTION – METHOD

Requiring that notice of the destruction of medical records be provided by first-class mail or by e-mail, rather than by both methods.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

HG, § 4-403(d) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

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HB 1511 Delegate Ruth, et al**NATURAL RESOURCES – WILDLIFE DAMAGE PREVENTION AND REIMBURSEMENT FUND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Wildlife Damage Prevention and Reimbursement Fund, consisting of the proceeds from the sale of conservation deer stamps, grants and contributions directed to the Fund, and money in the State budget, to reimburse a person for damage caused by deer, geese, and other wildlife to crops and other agricultural products; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to accept requests for grants for certain projects; and authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget an appropriation of at least \$50,000 for the Fund. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

NR, § 10-423.2 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1512 Delegate Ebersole**COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing a county board of education to reappoint an incumbent county superintendent in a certain manner; and authorizing a county board, at any point during the incumbent superintendent's term, to take action at a public meeting not later than March 1 of the year in which the contract is being renewed to reappoint the incumbent superintendent to serve a new term of 4 years beginning the immediately following July 1.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2025

ED, § 4-201(b) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1513 Delegate Ebersole, et al**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – SCHOOL SECURITY PERSONNEL – PROHIBITION OF IMMIGRATION INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS**

Prohibiting an individual assigned to be a school resource officer or a school security employee from being used for purposes of or otherwise engaging in certain federal immigration investigation and enforcement functions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

ED, § 7-1508.1 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1514 Delegate Rogers**SECURITY GUARD EMPLOYERS – REGULATION AND CERTIFICATION – EXEMPTION FOR VIDEO LOTTERY OPERATOR AND SPORTS WAGERING FACILITY LICENSEES**

Altering the definition of “security guard employer” for purposes of provisions of law governing the regulation of security guards, security guard agencies, and security guard employers to exclude certain video lottery operators and sports wagering facility licensees.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

BOP, § 19-101(m) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1515 Delegate Cullison**CERTIFICATE OF NEED – INTERMEDIATE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – EXEMPTIONS**

Repealing the exemption from the certificate of need requirement for a change in bed capacity for certain facilities offering substance use disorder treatment services; altering the conditions for which a certificate of need is not required for a change in capacity at a certain facility offering substance use disorder treatment services if written notice is given 45 days before establishment and the Commission finds the facility is consistent with the State health plan and will result in more efficient delivery of services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

HG, § 19-120(f) and (h) - amended and § 19-120(p) - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1516 Delegate Queen**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – CONSUMER CREDIT – APPLICATION OF LICENSING REQUIREMENTS (MARYLAND SECONDARY MARKET STABILITY ACT OF 2025)**

Providing that certain provisions of law governing the licensing of providers of certain financial services in the State do not apply to a certain person that acquires or is assigned a certain mortgage, mortgage loan, or installment loan under certain circumstances; establishing the Maryland Licensing Workgroup to study and make recommendations on licensing requirements for persons that provide financial services in the State; and requiring the Workgroup to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2025.

EMERGENCY BILL

FI, § 11-102 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1517 Delegate Schindler

HIGHER EDUCATION – NONRESIDENT TUITION – EXEMPTION FOR DEPENDENTS OF STATE OR LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES (MARYLAND FALLEN HEROES TUITION BENEFITS ACT)

Exempting financially dependent children of certain State or local public safety employees who die as a result of or in the course of performance of duties from paying out-of-state or out-of-county tuition at a public institution of higher education in the State.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

ED, § 15-106.12 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1518 Delegate Addison

CRIMINAL LAW – MINOR’S ACCESS TO FIREARMS – PENALTY

Altering the penalty for storing or leaving a loaded firearm in a location where the person knew or should have known that an unsupervised minor has access to the firearm; and providing that a person who violates the Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment of up to 2 years or a fine of up to \$1,000 or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CR, § 4-104 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations