



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2025 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 20, 2025
Schedule 10

PLEASE NOTE: February 3 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 3.

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

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 20, 2025

SB 419 **Senator Jackson**

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – PUBLIC SAFETY VOLUNTEERS

Increasing, from \$7,000 to \$10,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for an individual who is a qualifying public safety volunteer for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

TG, § 10-208(i-1) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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SB 420 **Senator McKay**STATE LAKES PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND –
ALTERATION AND EXTENSION

Altering the purpose and authorized uses of the State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund by specifying that it may be used only for the protection and restoration of Deep Creek Lake; and extending the termination date applicable to certain provisions relating to the purpose, use, and funding of the Fund to June 30, 2027.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2025

NR, § 8-205 and Chapter 698 of the Acts of 2018, § 3, as amended - amended
Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 421 **Senator McKay**CRIMINAL LAW – DESTROYING FUNERARY OBJECTS AND
CEMETERY ELEMENTS – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS AND
PROHIBITION

Extending from 1 year to 3 years the statute of limitations for prosecutions relating to destroying funerary objects and other elements of a cemetery to begin at the time local authorities knew or reasonably should have known of the violation; and prohibiting a person from willfully destroying, damaging, defacing, or removing landscaping or part of the grounds of a cemetery.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CJ, § 5-106(jj) - added and CR, § 10-404(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 422 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee**

JUVENILE COURT – JURISDICTION

Altering the jurisdiction of the juvenile court by repealing provisions specifying that the juvenile court does not have jurisdiction over a child alleged to have committed certain acts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

CJ, §§ 3-8A-03 and 3-8A-27(a)(2)(iv), CP, Various Sections, and ED, § 7-303(a)(6) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 423 **Senator Beidle**MARYLAND MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT AND MARYLAND
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS ACT – REVISIONS

Repealing obsolete and redundant language in, clarifying language in, and making language consistent across certain provisions of law governing the State Board of Physicians and the regulation of physicians, physician assistants, and allied health professionals; altering certain licensure requirements; altering the grounds for discipline for physicians, physician assistants, and allied health professionals; altering certain disciplinary procedures; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

HO, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 424 **Senator Jackson**

URBAN STATE HIGHWAYS – SPEED LIMITS – EXCEPTIONS

Authorizing the State Highway Administration to decrease the maximum speed limit by 5 miles per hour on certain urban State highways without an engineering and traffic investigation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

TR, § 21-802 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 425 **Senator Jackson**ENVIRONMENT – COAL COMBUSTION BY-PRODUCTS – FEES,
COORDINATING COMMITTEE, AND REGULATIONS

Providing that a certain base fee established by the Department of the Environment that is paid by a certain generator of coal combustion by-products is not less than \$2.30 per ton; altering the factors that the Department is required to consider in establishing the fee; establishing the Statewide Coal Combustion By-Products Coordinating Committee to share information, monitoring results, and certain remedial actions with respect to certain coal combustion by-product sites; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

EN, § 9-283 - amended and § 9-291 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SENATE BILLS REASSIGNED January 20, 2025**SB 358 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.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

ED, § 23-109 - amended

Reassigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 379 Senator M. Washington, et al**STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – MEMBERSHIP AND EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing the examination requirements for bachelor and master social worker licenses; and altering the number of consumer members on the State Board of Social Work Examiners.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

HO, §§ 19-202(a)(1) and (2) and 19-302(a), (d), and (e) - amended

Reassigned to: Finance

SB 385 Senators Love and Gile**VEHICLE LAWS – INJURY OR DEATH OF VULNERABLE INDIVIDUAL – PENALTIES**

Altering the penalties for causing the serious physical injury or death of a vulnerable individual as the result of an individual operating a motor vehicle in violation of certain provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law; and providing that an individual convicted of a certain violation is subject to not just a fine of \$2,000 but also imprisonment of up to 2 months or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

TR, § 21-901.3 - amended

Reassigned to: Judicial Proceedings