



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2026 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 14, 2026
Schedule 2

PLEASE NOTE: The following legislation was prefiled for the 2026 Session.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 14, 2026

HB 299 Chair, Government, Labor, and Elections Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

FRAUD PREVENTION, PREVAILING WAGE, AND LIVING WAGE – PROHIBITIONS, PENALTIES, AND ENFORCEMENT

Prohibiting a person from knowingly making or using, or causing to be made or used, a false record or statement resulting in underpayments of unemployment insurance contributions or payment of unemployment insurance benefits of more than \$15,000; altering the enforcement mechanisms related to workplace fraud laws, living wage laws, and prevailing wage laws, including authorizing the Attorney General to investigate and bring suit in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2026

GP, LE, and SF, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Government, Labor, and Elections

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HB 300 **Chair, Government, Labor, and Elections Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)**

STATE CONTRACTS – PROHIBITED PROVISIONS – EXEMPTIONS

Exempting certain contracts entered into by the Office of International Trade from certain prohibitions on the provisions that may be included in State contracts.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026

SF, § 2-901 - amended

Assigned to: Government, Labor, and Elections

HB 301 **Chair, Government, Labor, and Elections Committee (By Request – Departmental – Military)**

MARYLAND MILITARY DEPARTMENT – SUPERVISION OF STATE ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL

Providing for command and control of State active duty personnel during mobilizations of the Maryland National Guard.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026

PS, § 13-702 - amended

Assigned to: Government, Labor, and Elections