Memorandum

To: Members of the AELR Committee
   Standing Committee Chairs

From: Georgeanne Carter, AELR Committee Counsel
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Date: May 13, 2022

Re: Synopses of Regulations received from 4/29/2022 through 5/12/2022

Enclosed please find synopses of regulations received by the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review (AELR) during the weeks noted above.

The Office of Policy Analysis prepares analyses of the regulations to determine if there are any problem areas, to ensure that the regulations comply with statutory authority and legislative intent, and to assess the fiscal impact of the regulations. If any regulation is of particular interest to you, please feel free to contact us at 410-946-5350 and we will supply you with a copy of the regulation along with the legal and fiscal analysis.

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Commerce, Department of

Proposed Regulation
DLS Control No. 22-311
Department of Commerce:
General Provisions: 
Corporate Diversity: COMAR 24.01.07.01 through .06

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to adopt new regulations for Corporate Diversity.

Natural Resources, Department of

Proposed Regulations
DLS Control No. 22-309
Department of Natural Resources:
Fisheries Service:
Oysters: COMAR 08.02.04.13 and.14

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to remove the oyster harvest reserve area regulations and the designation of the only two areas classified as harvest reserve areas. Harvest reserve areas (HRAs) are a management tool created in statute that the department no longer needs.

Secretary of State

Proposed Regulations
DLS Control No. 22-307
Executive Department:
Secretary of State:
Charitable Organizations: Substantive Regulations: COMAR 01.02.04.01 through.03,.08,.10,.19, and .20-1

According to the Secretary, the purpose of this action is to update regulations to conform to current procedures and practices followed by the Secretary of State in the administration of the Maryland Solicitations Act. This action clarifies the definition of bona fide religious organizations and adds a definition for exempt charitable organizations. This action also requires charitable organizations to identify in each annual registration or fundraising notice the names and alternative names used in the solicitation of charitable contributions. This action sets forth when the Secretary of State is required to notify charitable organizations of annual filing requirements and includes requirements for charitable organizations who submit incomplete forms. This action clarifies the
timelines for organizations who are delinquent in their annual filing requirements to request additional time, and makes certain technical changes.

**Civil Rights, Commission on**

- **Extension of Emergency Regulation**
  - DLS Control No. 22-188
- **Independent Agencies:**
  - **Prescription Drug Affordability Board:**
  - **Prescription Drug Affordability Fund:** COMAR 14.01.02.02 through 03

According to the commission, to cover the gap between expiration of the emergency regulation and adoption of a proposed regulation. The board did not submit a proposed regulation at the time emergency status was first sought anticipating that implementation of the fee assessment would reveal additional corrections and improvements.

**Labor, Maryland Department of**

- **Proposed Regulation**
  - DLS Control No. 22-310
- **Maryland Department of Labor:**
- **Racing Commission:**
- **Harness Racing:** COMAR 09.10.02.33

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to restrict the use of a whip during a harness race and further define how a whip may be used.
Procurement Regulations, State

Proposed Regulations
DLS Control No. 22-308
State Procurement Regulations:
General Provisions:
Terminology: COMAR 21.01.02.01
State Procurement Organization: Board of Public Works: COMAR 21.02.01.05
Procurement Methods and Project Delivery Methods: Emergency and Expedited
Procurements: COMAR 21.05.06.02
Emergency and Expedited Procurements: COMAR 21.05.06.03
Socioeconomics Policies: Small Business Procurements: COMAR 21.11.01.06
Minority Business Enterprise Policies: COMAR 21.11.03.12-1
Procurement Reporting Requirements: Reporting Requirements: COMAR 21.13.01.01
Reporting Requirements: COMAR 21.13.01.02
Reporting Requirements: COMAR 21.13.01.03

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to revise regulations in COMAR
Title 21 to implement recently-enacted legislation and update procurement requirements in
accordance with prior legislative changes.