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JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE, EXECUTIVE, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

Memorandum

To: Members of the AELR Committee

Standing Committee Chairs

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Date: July 9, 2025

Re: Synopses of Regulations received from 6/23/2025 through 7/8/2025

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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Elections, State Board of

Proposed Regulation DLS Control No. 25-149

Board of Elections: Administration of Public Financing Act: Eligibility Requirements and Procedures: COMAR 33.14.02.10

According to the board, the purpose of this action is to codify a new status for public financing candidates after ending publicly their candidacy but remain on the ballot.

Agriculture, Department of

Proposed Regulation DLS Control No. 25-151

Department of Agriculture: Weights and Measures:

Registration of Commercial Weighing and Measuring Devices: COMAR 15.03.08.05

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to implement new legislation increasing certain fees related to classes of weights and measures.

Proposed Regulation DLS Control No. 25-153

Department of Agriculture: Plant Pest Control: Plant Pest Control Regulations: COMAR 15.06.02.06

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to implement new legislation increasing certain fees related to nurseries, brokers and dealers, and plant producers.

Natural Resources, Department of

Proposed Regulation DLS Control No. 25-158

Department of Natural Resources: Wildlife:

Forest Wildlife: COMAR 08.03.04.25

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to implement provisions of Natural Resources Article §10-428, Annotated Code of Maryland, that addresses the killing of wounded deer after legal shooting hours.

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Transportation, Department of

Proposed Regulations
DLS Control No. 25-154
Department of Transportation: Maryland Aviation Administration:
Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport:
COMAR 11.03.01.01 and .04

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to update the definition of abandoned, derelict, inoperable and surplus vehicles and equipment and to articulate the circumstances of when and how vehicles and equipment can be removed from the Air Operations Area of the Airport.

Maryland Department of Health

Proposed Regulations DLS Control No. 25-152

Maryland Department of Health: Maryland Health Care Commission:

Certification of Electronic Health Networks and Medical Care Electronic Claims

Clearinghouses: COMAR 10.25.07.00 – .02, .05, and .09 – .11

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to re-propose amendments and a new regulation to COMAR 10.25.07 Certification of Electronic Health Networks and Medical Care Electronic Claims Clearinghouses. Legislation passed by the Maryland General Assembly in 2021 (Chapter 790/House Bill 1022 and Chapter 791/Senate Bill 748, Public Health - State Designated Exchange - Clinical Information) requires the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) to adopt regulations to support a State health improvement program, mitigate a public health emergency, and improve patient safety by requiring MHCC-certified electronic health networks (EHNs) to provide electronic health care transaction information to the State-designated health information exchange (HIE) for clinical and public health purposes. Legislation passed by the Maryland General Assembly in 2025 (Chapter 615/House Bill 1104, Maryland Department of Health – AHEAD Model Implementation – Electronic Health Care Transactions and Population Health Improvement Fund) clarifies that electronic health care transaction information may be used to support the State's participation in the Advancing All-Payer Health Equity Approaches and Development (AHEAD) Model and any successor models, among other things. The re-proposed amendments clarify and build upon proposed regulations published in Volume 51, Issue 24 of the Maryland Register on December 2, 2025 based on certain public comments received and new legislation passed during the 2025 Maryland legislative session pertaining to the AHEAD Model. Re-proposed amendments: (1) adds EHNs and the State-designated HIE to the scope of the chapter; (2) modifies when EHNs must demonstrate compliance with Health-General Article, §4-302.5, Annotated Code of Maryland; (3) allows electronic health care transaction information to be used for public health and clinical purposes to facilitate the State's participation in the AHEAD Model; (4) clarifies required components and processes for the State-designated HIE in developing the Electronic Health Care Transactions Technical Submission Guidance; (5) extends

the implementation timeline for the State-designated HIE and EHNs; and (6) adds requirements for the State-designated HIE and EHNs to report to MHCC on their implementation of the regulations. Re-proposed amendments build upon previous amendments that: (1) add definitions for improvement of patient safety, mitigation of a public health emergency, State-designated HIE, and state health improvement program; (2) adds a regulation requiring MHCC-certified EHNs to submit certain electronic health care transactions to the State-designated HIE for public health and clinical purposes; (3) requires the State-designated HIE to develop and publish Electronic Health Care Transactions Technical Submission Guidance; (4) prohibits EHNs from charging a fee for providing electronic health care transaction information; and (5) allows EHNs to request a one-year exemption from certain reporting requirements.

Proposed Regulations
DLS Control No. 25-155
Maryland Department of Health: Board of Nursing:
Practice of Nurse Midwifery: COMAR 10.27.05.01 and .06

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to require the specific licensee to maintain medical records in accordance with Health-General Article, Title 4, Subtitle 4, Annotated Code of Maryland and comply with applicable State and federal law, pursuant to statutory requirements.

Proposed Regulations DLS Control No. 25-159

Maryland Department of Health: Board of Nursing: Practice of Nurse Anesthetist: COMAR 10.27.06.06

Practice of the Nurse Practitioner: COMAR 10.27.07.03 and .07 **Standards of Practice for Registered Nurses:** COMAR 10.27.09.02

Standards of Practice for Licensed Practical Nurses: COMAR 10.27.10.02

Registered Nurse - Workers' Compensation Medical Case Manager:

COMAR 10.27.16.06

Management of Infusion Therapy by the Registered Nurse and the Licensed

Practical Nurse: COMAR 10.27.20.04

Registered Nurse - Forensic Nurse Examiner: COMAR 10.27.21.04

Cosmetic Procedures: COMAR 10.27.25.05

Board of Nursing - Electrology Practice Committee: Standards of Practice and

Conduct: COMAR 10.53.05.02

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to require the specific licensees to maintain medical records in accordance with Health-General Article, Title 4, Subtitle 4, Annotated Code of Maryland, pursuant to HB 149/Ch. 779 (2024).

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Emergency/Proposed Regulations
DLS Control No. 25-160
Maryland Department of Health: Board of Nursing:
Delegation of Acts by an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse:
COMAR 10.27.28.01 – .06

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to provide for the manner in which an advanced practice registered nurse may delegate a nursing or other technical task to an assistant and sets forth limitations on the authority of an advanced practice registered nurse to delegate nursing or other technical tasks to an assistant.

Emergency/Proposed Regulations DLS Control No. 25-161

Maryland Department of Health: Board of Nursing:

Examination and Licensure: COMAR 10.27.01.01, .03, and .17

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to alter the licensure requirement exceptions for registered nursing and licensed practical nursing graduates. The language proposed will comply with the provisions outlined in Chs. 222 and 223 (HB 611 and SB 960), Acts of 2023.

Labor, Maryland Department of

Proposed Regulations DLS Control No. 25-156

Maryland Department of Labor: Unemployment Insurance:

Obligations of Employers:

COMAR 09.32.01.02, .03, .05, .06, .09, .09-1, .11, .12, .16, .16-1, .17, .23, .25, and .26

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to implement the administrative fee as authorized under §§ 8-421 and 8-605.1 of the Labor & Employment Article of the Annotated Maryland Code. It details the obligations of employers subject to the fee, the consequences of nonpayment including the imposition of interest charges, the means of collection, and the order in which payment by an employing unit is to be applied. The action includes amendments to address the untimely submission of contributions reports, as well as provisions specific to common paymasters, unemployment insurance tax preparers, and professional employer organizations. The action also corrects certain legal references on seeking review determinations, and it removes portions of regulations referencing outdated media.

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Public Service Commission

Proposed Regulations DLS Control No. 25-147

Public Service Commission: Community Solar Energy Generation Systems:

Consolidated Billing: COMAR 20.62.06.01 – .04

According to the commission, the purpose of this action is to propose rules to require electric companies to provide net crediting for consolidated billing of community solar subscription charges with electric charges.

Education, State Board of

Emergency/Proposed Regulations DLS Control No. 25-157

State Board of Education: State School Administration: State Superintendent of Schools: COMAR 13A.01.02.01

According to the board, this regulation amends an existing regulation to authorize the State Superintendent of Schools (State Superintendent) to extend the length of a stay ordered by the State Superintendent for an action taken by a local board of education (local board) beyond the 60 day duration under specified circumstances.