



THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE, EXECUTIVE, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

**Memorandum**

**To:** Members of the AELR Committee  
Standing Committee Chairs

**From:** Georgeanne Carter, AELR Committee Counsel  
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**Date:** July 21, 2025

**Re:** **Synopses of Regulations received from 7/9/2025 through 7/20/2025**

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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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### **Department of Human Services**

#### **Proposed Regulations**

#### **DLS Control No. 25-150**

#### **Department of Human Services: Social Services Administration:**

#### **Child Protective Services - Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect:**

COMAR 07.02.07.02, .03, .11, and .23

According to the department, in compliance with Md. Ann. Code, Fam. Law Art. § 5-701, labor trafficking will be added to the COMAR definition of child abuse under 07.02.07.02. Additionally, under 07.02.07.03.C.2, labor trafficking will be included in the list of cases not eligible for alternative responses. Under 07.02.07.11, Child Abuse Disposition, labor trafficking will be amended to include it as the fifth element that can be present during an allegation of child abuse. Finally, labor trafficking will be added to 07.02.07.23, Development of Procedures for Joint Investigations, as a second form of trafficking in joint investigations.

### **Public Safety and Correctional Services, Department of**

#### **Proposed Regulation**

#### **DLS Control No. 25-176**

#### **Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services:**

#### **Police Training Commission:**

**General Regulations:** COMAR 12.04.01.10

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to amend and correct a technical error in Regulation .10. This action will correct an incorrect reference in Regulation .10D(3) of this Chapter to Regulation .14E(7), also of this Chapter. In July of 2023 several edits were made to COMAR 12.04.01.09 and .14 that affected the regulatory numbering. The renumbering impacted the regulation reference in Regulation .10D(3) which should now read as Regulation .14E(8), instead of .14E(7).

### **Criminal Sentencing Policy, Commission on**

#### **Proposed Regulations**

#### **DLS Control No. 25-174**

#### **Independent Agencies: Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy:**

**General Regulations:** COMAR 14.22.01.12

**Criminal Offenses and Seriousness Categories:** COMAR 14.22.02.02

According to the commission, the purpose of this action is to The purpose of this action is to modify Regulation .12 under COMAR 14.22.01 General Regulations to in response to Senate Bill 152/House Bill 89 (2025), which provides that each animal harmed in violation of

Criminal Law Article, Title 10, Subtitle 6, Annotated Code of Maryland, shall be considered a victim for the purposes of applying the multiple victims stacking rule (MVSR). The MVSR specifies that when there is a criminal event with multiple victims and not more than one seriousness category I or II offense, the person completing the sentencing guidelines worksheet shall add the highest of the upper limits of the guidelines ranges for each victim to find the correct overall range for the criminal event.

Additionally, the purpose of this action is to modify Regulation.02 under COMAR 14.22.02 Criminal Offenses and Seriousness Categories to reflect (1) new and revised penalties from the 2025 Legislative Session and (2) minor edits to the table, including the addition of new CJIS Codes for several existing offenses.

### **Maryland Department of Health**

#### **Proposed Regulation**

#### **DLS Control No. 25-164**

#### **Maryland Department of Health: Medical Care Programs:**

#### **Increased Community Services (ICS) Program: COMAR 10.09.81.41**

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to repeal and replace the existing regulation and to update the rates for services in the payment procedures regulation to reflect the rates for Fiscal Year 2025.

### **Labor, Maryland Department of**

#### **Proposed Regulations**

#### **DLS Control No. 25-163**

#### **Maryland Department of Labor: Board of Cosmetologists:**

#### **General Regulations: COMAR 09.22.01.04 and .15**

#### **Beauty Salons: COMAR 09.22.02.03 and .05**

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to implement the expanded definition of esthetic services enacted by the General Assembly in SB1044 in April 2024 by defining specific esthetic services authorized by the legislation.

#### **Proposed Regulation**

#### **DLS Control No. 25-166**

#### **Maryland Department of Labor: State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors:**

#### **General Regulations: COMAR 09.15.02.04**

According to the department, the purpose of this action is to amend the time within which an individual can apply to renew an expired license pursuant to Maryland law passed during the 2025 legislative session.

### **Lottery and Gaming Control Agency, Maryland State**

#### **Proposed Regulation**

**DLS Control No. 25-165**

**Maryland State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency: Sports Wagering Provisions:  
Sports Wagering Licensee Minimum Internal Control Standards:**

**COMAR 36.10.13.39**

According to the agency, the purpose of this action is to reduce the cap for deductible promotional play for mobile sports wagering licensees from 20% to 5% of the proceeds from the prior fiscal year. This change does not apply to sports wagering facility licensees, the retail sports wagering establishments.

### **Public Service Commission**

#### **Proposed Regulation**

**DLS Control No. 25-175**

**Public Service Commission: Competitive Electricity Supply:  
Residential Customer Protection: COMAR 20.53.07.07**

According to the commission, the purpose of this action is to serve as the disclosure retail suppliers shall include in their green power marketing materials.

### **Education, State Board of**

#### **Proposed Regulation**

**DLS Control No. 25-162**

**State Board of Education: School Personnel:  
Disqualification Criteria for Substitute Teachers: COMAR 13A.07.12.01**

According to the board, the purpose of this action is to codify additional reasons that would disqualify an individual from working as a substitute in Maryland public schools.

#### **Proposed Regulation**

**DLS Control No. 25-170**

**State Board of Education: State School Administration:  
Appeals to the State Board of Education: COMAR 13A.01.05.12**

According to the board, the purpose of this action is to add a process for request of interim relief during the period in between an individual's submission of a request for the State Board to issue charges for removal of a local member of a board of education and when the State Board issues a final decision on the removal request.

**Proposed Regulations**

**DLS Control No. 25-171**

**State Board of Education: Special Instructional Programs:**

**Programs for Library Media Services: COMAR 13A.05.04.01 – .03**

According to the board, the purpose of this action is to align regulations with the requirements in the Freedom to Read Act and provide clarity to ensure consistency across the local school systems.

**Proposed Regulations**

**DLS Control No. 25-172**

**State Board of Education: School Personnel:**

**Comprehensive Teacher Induction Program: COMAR 13A.07.01.01 – .09**

According to the board, the purpose of this action is to define the requirements for Maryland teacher induction programs, including program implementation, mentorship, and evaluation and reporting. The re-proposed amendments clarify and build upon proposed regulations published in Volume 52, Issue 8 of the Maryland Register on April 18, 2025, based on certain public comments received.