

May 16, 2024

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On May 16, 2024, the Honorable Wes Moore, Governor; the Honorable Bill Ferguson, President of the Senate; and the Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following pieces of legislation, which you passed:

HB 576 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

Chapter 703

MENTAL HEALTH – ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Authorizing each county to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program by July 1, 2026; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program in a county that does not opt to establish the program by July 1, 2026; requiring the Office of the Public Defender to provide representation in assisted outpatient treatment proceedings; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 453 The President (By Request – Administration), et al

Chapter 704

MENTAL HEALTH – ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Authorizing each county to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program; requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on or before July 1, 2026, to establish an assisted outpatient treatment program in a county that does not opt to establish a program; and requiring the Office of the Public Defender to provide representation in assisted outpatient treatment proceedings.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 575 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**

Chapter 705

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIM COMPENSATION –
ALTERATIONS (VICTIM COMPENSATION REFORM ACT OF
2024)**

Altering the composition of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; altering certain duties, powers, and procedures for the Board to make awards to victims of crime; altering the powers and duties of certain employees; altering the amount and types of awards the Board is authorized to make to certain victims of crime; authorizing reconsideration and judicial review of decisions of the Board; authorizing the Governor to include certain funding in the annual budget bill for the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 583 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**

Chapter 706

**CENTER FOR FIREARM VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND
INTERVENTION – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Center for Firearm Violence Prevention and Intervention in the Maryland Department of Health to reduce firearm violence, harm from firearm violence, and misuse of firearms in the State by partnering with federal, State, and local agencies and affected communities to implement a public health approach to firearm violence reduction; requiring the Center to submit to the Governor and the General Assembly by May 1, 2025, a preliminary State Plan for a Public Health Approach to Reducing Firearm Violence; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 475 The President (By Request – Administration), et al

Chapter 707 CENTER FOR FIREARM VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Center for Firearm Violence Prevention and Intervention in the Maryland Department of Health to reduce firearm violence, harm from firearm violence, and misuse of firearms in the State by partnering with federal, State, and local agencies and affected communities to implement a public health approach to firearm violence reduction; requiring the Center to submit a preliminary State Plan for a Public Health Approach to Reducing Firearm Violence to the Governor and General Assembly on or before May 1, 2025; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 470 The President (By Request – Administration), et al

Chapter 708 GROWING APPRENTICESHIPS AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY WORKFORCE (GAPS) ACT

Altering the Law Enforcement Cadet Apprenticeship Program in the Maryland Department of Labor to be the Public Safety Apprenticeship Program; expanding the purpose and scope of the Program to promote careers with certain public safety agencies; altering the eligibility criteria and the types of grants to be awarded under the Program; requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to develop certain mental health wellness policies to be implemented in certain law enforcement agencies and correctional facilities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 597 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**

Chapter 709

**GROWING APPRENTICESHIPS AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY
WORKFORCE (GAPS) ACT**

Altering the Law Enforcement Cadet Apprenticeship Program in the Maryland Department of Labor to be the Public Safety Apprenticeship Program; expanding the purpose and scope of the Program to promote careers with certain public safety agencies; altering the eligibility criteria and the types of grants to be awarded under the Program; requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to develop certain mental health wellness policies to be implemented in certain law enforcement agencies and correctional facilities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 582 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**

Chapter 710

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ENTREPRENEURIAL
INNOVATION PROGRAMS – ESTABLISHMENT (PAVA LAPERE
LEGACY OF INNOVATION ACT OF 2024)**

Establishing the Pava LaPere Innovation Acceleration Grant Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to provide grants to technology-based start-up companies founded by students from institutions located in the Baltimore-Columbia-Towson Metropolitan Statistical Area; establishing the Baltimore Innovation Initiative Pilot Program within the Maryland Innovation Initiative of the Corporation; requiring certain appropriations for the programs to be included in the annual budget bill in certain fiscal years; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- SB 473**
Chapter 711 **The President (By Request – Administration), et al**
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ENTREPRENEURIAL INNOVATION PROGRAMS – ESTABLISHMENT (PAVA LAPERE LEGACY OF INNOVATION ACT OF 2024)
Establishing the Pava LaPere Innovation Acceleration Grant Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to provide grants to technology-based startup companies that are founded by students of postsecondary institutions located in and have their principle places of business in the Baltimore–Columbia–Towson Metropolitan Statistical Area; establishing the Baltimore Innovation Initiative Pilot Program within the Maryland Innovation Initiative of the Corporation to provide incentives for and grow certain start-up companies; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 1098**
Chapter 712 **Senator Smith**
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIMINUTION CREDITS – SEXUAL OFFENSES
Prohibiting the earning of diminution credits to reduce the term of confinement of an incarcerated individual who is serving a sentence for rape in the first degree in a State or local correctional facility.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 810**
Chapter 713 **The Speaker**
CRIMINAL LAW – RAPID-FIRE ACTIVATOR – SWITCH/AUTO-SEAR
Altering the term “rapid fire trigger activator” to be “rapid fire activator”; adding “switch/auto-sear” to the definition of “rapid fire activator” for purposes of certain prohibitions on rapid fire activators; and prohibiting a person from transporting a rapid fire activator into the State or manufacturing, possessing, selling, offering for sale, transferring, purchasing, or receiving a rapid fire activator with a certain exception.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 947**
Chapter 714 **Delegate Phillips, et al**
CIVIL ACTIONS – PUBLIC NUISANCES – FIREARM INDUSTRY MEMBERS (GUN INDUSTRY ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2024)
Prohibiting firearm industry members from knowingly creating, maintaining, or contributing to a public nuisance through the sale, manufacture, distribution, importation, or marketing of a firearm-related product under certain circumstances; requiring a firearm industry member to establish and implement certain reasonable controls regarding the sale, manufacture, distribution, importation, marketing, possession, and use of certain firearm-related products; authorizing certain civil actions for violations of the Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- HB 105**
Chapter 715 **Delegate Atterbary**
DRUNK DRIVING OFFENSES – EXPUNGEMENT AND THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM
Authorizing a person to file a petition for expungement of certain records relating to a probation before judgment for driving while impaired or driving while under the influence; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to require persons convicted of or granted probation before judgment for certain criminal offenses related to driving while impaired by alcohol, a drug, drug combination, or a combination of drugs and alcohol to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 360**
Chapter 716 **The President (By Request – Administration)**
BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2025)
Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

SB 362

Chapter 717

The President (By Request – Administration)

BUDGET RECONCILIATION AND FINANCING ACT OF 2024

Altering or repealing certain required appropriations; authorizing the use of certain funds for certain purposes; altering, from December 1, 2024, to January 15, 2027, the date by which the Accountability and Implementation Board has to conduct and submit a certain independent evaluation; altering the sales and use tax rate on certain electronic smoking devices; repealing a certain small business relief tax credit; requiring interest earnings for certain special funds to accrue to the General Fund of the State during certain fiscal years; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 1439

Chapter 718

Delegate Shetty, et al

EMERGENCY SERVICES – FUNDING

Increasing the motor vehicle registration emergency medical system surcharge for certain motor vehicles; providing for the distribution of revenues derived from the surcharge; altering certain provisions of law related to the Maryland Trauma Physician Services Fund; increasing the fines for certain violations related to driving while impaired; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2026, to include an annual appropriation to the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund of at least \$16,500,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1092

Chapter 719

Senator Guzzone

EMERGENCY SERVICES – FUNDING

Increasing the motor vehicle registration emergency medical system surcharge to \$40.00 per year for certain motor vehicles; altering certain provisions of law related to the Maryland Trauma Physician Services Fund, including provisions related to the contents and sources of the funding and the determination of eligibility for disbursements; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2026, to include an annual appropriation of at least \$16,500,000 to the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 361 The President (By Request – Administration)

Chapter 720

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2024, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, AND 2023

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,845,046,000, the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes, subject to certain matching fund requirements; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

**SB 1120 Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –
Chapter 721 Departmental – University System of Maryland)**

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – ACADEMIC FACILITIES BONDING AUTHORITY

Approving certain projects for the acquisition, development, and improvement of certain academic facilities for the University System of Maryland; authorizing the issuance of bonds by the University System of Maryland for financing the projects; and providing that the bonds are not a debt or obligation of the State or any of its subdivisions.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 966 Senators Zucker and McCray

Chapter 722

PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS OF STATE DEBT – ALTERATIONS

Amending certain prior authorizations of State Debt to change the names of certain grantees, alter the authorized uses of certain grants, and extend the termination date of certain grants.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 453 **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 723 INCOME TAX – TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

Repealing certain obsolete provisions of law concerning the distribution of income tax revenue; and correcting a certain erroneous cross-reference.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 678 **The President (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 724 INCOME TAX – TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

Repealing certain obsolete provisions of law concerning the distribution of income tax revenue; and correcting a certain erroneous cross-reference.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 845 **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 725 INCOME TAX – INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX CREDIT
ELIGIBILITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Requiring the Comptroller to implement and administer a certain individual income tax credit eligibility awareness campaign to identify and encourage individuals to apply for certain individual income tax credits; authorizing the Comptroller to enter into a certain data sharing agreement with other State agencies to carry out the awareness campaign; and requiring, in each of fiscal years 2026 through 2030, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$300,000 for the awareness campaign.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1105 **The President (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 726 INCOME TAX – INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX CREDIT
ELIGIBILITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Requiring the Comptroller to implement and administer a certain individual income tax credit eligibility awareness campaign to identify and encourage individuals to apply for certain individual income tax credits; authorizing the Comptroller to enter into a certain data sharing agreement with other State agencies to carry out the awareness campaign; and requiring, for each of fiscal years 2026 through 2030, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$300,000 for the awareness campaign.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 451** **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 727 **TAX ASSISTANCE FOR LOW-INCOME MARYLANDERS – FUNDING**
- Requiring the Comptroller, beginning in fiscal year 2025, to distribute a certain amount of abandoned property funds to the Tax Clinics for Low-Income Marylanders Fund; requiring the Governor to include \$800,000 in the annual budget for the CASH Campaign of Maryland to award grants for providing certain tax assistance through on-demand and mobile tax clinics; and requiring certain tax clinics to interact with the CASH campaign to ensure sufficient access to tax preparation services for low-income Maryland residents.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 454** **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 728 **DISCLOSURE OF TAX INFORMATION – TAX COMPLIANCE ACTIVITY AND BINDING DATA USE AGREEMENTS**
- Altering the definition of “tax information” for purposes of law governing the confidentiality and disclosure of tax information; authorizing, subject to certain limitations, the disclosure of certain tax information to certain tax compliance organizations and governmental entities to assist the Comptroller in tax compliance activity; requiring the Comptroller to require the party to whom the information is to be disclosed to enter into a written, binding agreement regarding the use and security of the tax information; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 455** **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 729 **COMPTROLLER – ELECTRONIC TAX AND FEE RETURN FILING REQUIREMENTS**
- Requiring, for periods beginning after December 31, 2026, that returns for certain taxes and fees collected by the Comptroller be filed electronically, subject to certain exceptions; altering certain requirements for electronic filing of returns for certain taxes; prohibiting a certain tax return preparer or software company from charging a separate fee for the electronic filing of certain tax documents; and prohibiting a software company from selling different versions of the same tax software under certain circumstances.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 677 **The President (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 730 **COMPTROLLER – ELECTRONIC TAX AND FEE RETURN FILING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring that returns for certain taxes and fees collected by the Comptroller be filed electronically, subject to certain exceptions; altering certain requirements for electronic filing of returns for certain taxes; prohibiting a certain tax return preparer or software company from charging a separate fee for the electronic filing of authorized tax documents; and prohibiting a software company from selling different versions of the same tax software under certain circumstances.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 452 **The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 731 **INDIVIDUAL TAX PREPARERS – CODE OF ETHICS, NOTIFICATION OF ACTIONS, ENFORCEMENT, AND PENALTIES (STOP SCAM TAX PREPARERS ACT)**

Requiring the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers to publish on the Board’s website a certain code of ethics and rules of professional conduct by January 1, 2026; requiring the Board to notify the Comptroller and the Field Enforcement Bureau of a violation within 5 business days after the Board determines that the violation has occurred; granting certain employees of the Bureau certain powers, duties, and responsibilities for enforcing laws pertaining to income tax preparation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 675 **The President (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**
Chapter 732 **INDIVIDUAL TAX PREPARERS – CODE OF ETHICS, NOTIFICATION OF ACTIONS, ENFORCEMENT, AND PENALTIES (STOP SCAM TAX PREPARERS ACT)**

Requiring the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers, on or before January 1, 2026, to publish on the Board’s website a certain code of ethics and certain rules of professional conduct; requiring the Board to notify the Field Enforcement Bureau of the Comptroller’s Office of a certain violation within 5 business days after the Board determines that the violation has occurred; granting certain employees of the Bureau certain powers, duties, and responsibilities for enforcing laws pertaining to income tax preparation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 204
Chapter 733 **Delegate Attar, et al**
EDUCATION – COACHES – MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

Requiring the State Department of Education to develop guidelines for public schools and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to develop guidelines for public institutions of higher education to train coaches to recognize indicators of mental illness and behavioral distress in students who participate in athletic programs in public schools and public institutions of higher education; requiring public schools and public institutions that offer athletic programs to provide a certain training to coaches; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 165
Chapter 734 **Senator Hettleman, et al**
EDUCATION – COACHES – MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

Requiring the State Department of Education to develop guidelines for public schools and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to develop guidelines for public institutions of higher education to train coaches to recognize indicators of mental illness and behavioral distress in students who participate in athletic programs in public schools and public institutions of higher education; requiring public schools and public institutions that offer athletic programs to provide a certain mental health training to coaches; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 814
Chapter 735 **The Speaker and Delegate Clippinger**
JUVENILE LAW – REFORM

Altering the jurisdiction of the juvenile court over a child of a certain age alleged to have committed a certain offense; altering certain provisions relating to the taking of a child into custody by a law enforcement officer; expanding certain provisions of law relating to the entry onto certain school or other property by, and the education of, certain sex offender registrants; altering certain provisions relating to the Commission on Juvenile Justice Reform and Emerging and Best Practices; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 652 **Senator McCray**

Chapter 736

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES – REPORT ON SHOOTINGS (DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2024)

Requiring the Department of Juvenile Services to report to the Commission on Juvenile Justice Reform and Emerging and Best Practices and the General Assembly, on or before December 1, 2024, and each December 1 thereafter, certain information regarding shootings of and by juveniles under the supervision of the Department and the actions the Department took after the shooting incidents, including the timeline of the actions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 172 **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)**

Chapter 737

DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – PROFESSIONAL OCCUPATIONS – APPLICATION PROCESS

Authorizing the Secretary of State Police to determine the manner and format for applications for certification as a private detective, security guard, security systems technician, and railroad police officer and for a license to provide security guard services; altering the application requirements related to security guard agency, private detective agency, and security systems agency licenses and commercial general liability insurance; requiring an applicant for a special police commission to submit two sets of fingerprints; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 287 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)**

Chapter 738

DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – PROFESSIONAL OCCUPATIONS – APPLICATION PROCESS

Authorizing the Secretary of State Police to determine the manner and format for applications for certification as a private detective, security guard, security systems technician, and railroad police officer and for a license to provide security guard services; altering the application requirements related to security guard agency, private detective agency, and security systems agency licenses and commercial general liability insurance; requiring an applicant for a special police commission to submit two sets of fingerprints; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 195 **Delegate Guyton, et al**
Chapter 739 **PUBLIC SAFETY – MISSING PERSONS – PURPLE ALERT PROGRAM**

Establishing a Purple Alert Program to disseminate information to assist in locating a certain missing person who has a cognitive impairment, mental disorder, intellectual or developmental disability, or brain injury; requiring the Department of State Police to adopt guidelines and develop procedures for issuing a Purple Alert; and authorizing the Department to consult with relevant stakeholders representing citizens with disabilities to develop procedures for the program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 647 **Delegate Guyton**
Chapter 740 **PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE – PET INSURANCE – REGULATION**

Establishing requirements and prohibitions for pet insurance policies that are issued to a resident of the State or are sold, solicited, negotiated, or offered in the State, including disclosure requirements and requirements and prohibitions related to wellness programs; and requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration, on or before June 1, 2025, to develop informational material about pet insurance policies that may be disseminated to and posted by veterinary practitioners.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

HB 315 **Delegate Bartlett**
Chapter 741 **REGULATED FIREARMS – MARYLAND JUDICIARY – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing and altering a reporting requirement to require the Maryland Judiciary, instead of the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy, to report on the number of charges, convictions, and sentences for certain regulated firearm violations; and requiring by October 1, 2024 and each October 1 thereafter, that the Maryland Judiciary submit its report to the Governor and the General Assembly and include information disaggregated by jurisdiction, race, and gender.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 319 **Senator West**

Chapter 742

**REGULATED FIREARMS – MARYLAND JUDICIARY –
REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing and altering a reporting requirement to require the Maryland Judiciary, instead of the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy, to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before October 1 each year on the number of charges, convictions, and sentences for certain regulated firearm violations, disaggregated by jurisdiction, race, and gender.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 404 **Delegate Woods, et al**

Chapter 743

**PUBLIC SAFETY – WELLNESS CHECKS – REQUIREMENTS
(GABRIEL’S LAW)**

Requiring a law enforcement agency that receives a certain request for a wellness check of an individual to conduct a wellness check or submit a request for the relevant law enforcement agency to conduct a wellness check without unreasonable delay; and requiring a fire, rescue, or emergency medical services entity to conduct the wellness check simultaneously with the law enforcement agency if the request concerns a life-threatening condition.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 823 **Delegate Charkoudian, et al**

Chapter 744

**FIRE PROTECTION AND PREVENTION – RESIDENTIAL
RENTAL PROPERTY – REQUIREMENTS (MELANIE NICHOLLE
DIAZ FIRE SAFETY ACT)**

Establishing certain requirements relating to the installation of certain fire safety equipment in residential rental high-rise buildings and certain other property; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit; establishing the Workgroup to Develop Fire Safety Best Practices for Pre-1974 High-Rise Apartment Buildings; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations by December 31, 2024; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 697

Senator Gile, et al

Chapter 745

MARYLAND NATIONAL GUARD – TRICARE PREMIUM REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS

Removing a certain reimbursement limit on grant awards to certain members of the National Guard for the cost of certain health care and dental care premiums, subject to the limitation that the total amount of grants awarded to eligible recipients in a fiscal year may not exceed the annual appropriation in the State budget for the Tricare Premium Reimbursement Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1065

Delegate Clippinger

Chapter 746

PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Entertainment District Security Grant Program to assist community organizations, nonprofit entities, and local governments in funding security operations during times of high pedestrian traffic in certain entertainment districts; establishing the Maryland Entertainment District Security Grant Program Fund; authorizing the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include up to \$1,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 774

Senator Ferguson, et al

Chapter 747

PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Entertainment District Security Grant Program to assist community organizations, nonprofit entities, and local governments in funding security operations during times of high pedestrian traffic in certain entertainment districts; establishing the Maryland Entertainment District Security Grant Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; authorizing the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter, to appropriate up to \$1,000,000 in the annual budget bill to the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

[HB 1229](#)

Chapter 748

Delegate A. Jones, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – KRATOM CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

Requiring a retailer that prepares, distributes, sells, or exposes for sale a kratom product to disclose the factual basis on which the representation is made; establishing prohibitions related to the preparation, distribution, and sale of kratom products, including prohibitions related to the sale of kratom to individuals under the age of 21 years and the marketing of kratom to minors; establishing certain penalties for violations of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

[HB 1076](#)

Chapter 749

Delegate Roberts, et al

EDUCATION – BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS – TEXTBOOK EQUITY

Establishing requirements for each county board of education regarding provision of the instructional materials that will be used in the upcoming school year for students with individualized education programs; requiring the county board to coordinate with the Instructional Resources Center to provide the materials in a specialized format to blind or visually impaired students; requiring, beginning January 1, 2025, certain textbook publishers to provide an electronic file of pupil edition textbooks; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

[SB 1091](#)

Chapter 750

Senator Watson, et al

EDUCATION – BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS – TEXTBOOK EQUITY

Establishing requirements for each county board of education regarding provision of the instructional materials that will be used in the upcoming school year by students with individualized education programs; requiring the county board to coordinate with the Instructional Resources Center to provide instructional materials in a specialized format to blind or visually impaired students; requiring, beginning January 1, 2025, certain textbook publishers to provide an electronic file of pupil edition textbooks to a certain entity; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 943 **Senators Kelly and Lam**

Chapter 751 **VEHICLE LAWS – BUS LANE OBSTRUCTION – MONITORING SYSTEMS EXPANSION AND WORKGROUP (BETTER BUS SERVICE ACT OF 2024)**

Prohibiting a person from parking or standing certain vehicles in a dedicated bus lane; making statewide the authority of a local jurisdiction to use, in accordance with certain standards and procedures, a bus lane monitoring system to enforce the prohibition against driving, standing, or parking a motor vehicle in a designated bus lane; and establishing the Workgroup on Curb Space Management.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 119 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By**
Chapter 752 **Request – Departmental – Health)**

PUBLIC HEALTH – GIVING INFANTS A FUTURE WITHOUT TRANSMISSION (GIFT) ACT

Altering certain HIV and syphilis reporting and testing requirements for hospitals and health care providers for pregnant women and newborns; providing that certain documents related to certain HIV and syphilis reports are not discoverable and are not admissible in evidence in any criminal or administrative action; and altering certain penalties related to the disclosure of personal identifying health information acquired for the purpose of HIV and AIDS reporting under certain provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 127 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By**
Chapter 753 **Request – Departmental – Health)**

**PUBLIC HEALTH – NONOCCUPATIONAL POSTEXPOSURE
PROPHYLAXIS (NPEP) STANDING ORDER PROGRAM –
ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Nonoccupational Postexposure Prophylaxis (nPEP) Standing Order Program to authorize pharmacists to dispense nPEP under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to adopt regulations necessary for the administration of the Program and that address the needs of certain populations, including victims of sexual assault and pediatric patients; and authorizing the Department to administer the Program, collect certain fees, and establish guidelines for training related to the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 238 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 754 **Departmental – Health)**

PUBLIC HEALTH – CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT – REVISIONS

Prohibiting vaping in certain indoor areas and places of employment and certain mass transportation; requiring that certain signs be posted in each public indoor area and each public entrance to an indoor area where smoking or vaping is prohibited; requiring the convening of a workgroup to study the issuance of alcoholic beverages licenses to tobacconists; and prohibiting the issuance of a local alcoholic beverages license to a tobacconist from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2026, both inclusive.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 244 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 755 **Health)**

PUBLIC HEALTH – CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT – REVISIONS

Prohibiting vaping in certain indoor areas and places of employment and certain mass transportation; requiring that certain signs be posted and maintained in a certain manner in certain indoor areas and certain public entrances; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to convene a workgroup to study the issuance of alcoholic beverages licenses to tobacconists and report its findings on or before July 1, 2025; and prohibiting a local alcoholic beverage license from being issued to a tobacconist from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2026.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

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- SB 688** **Senator Smith (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)**
Chapter 756 **PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – JUDGESHIPS – CIRCUIT
COURTS**

Altering the number of resident judges of the circuit courts by adding one additional judgeship in Prince George’s County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 592** **Delegate Clippinger, et al**
Chapter 757 **PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – JUDGESHIPS – CIRCUIT
COURTS**

Altering the number of resident judges of the circuit courts by adding one additional judgeship in Prince George’s County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 115** **Delegate Kaufman, et al**
Chapter 758 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIMS’ RIGHTS – NOTIFICATION
OF RELEASE FROM CONFINEMENT (JAYCEE WEBSTER
VICTIMS’ RIGHTS ACT)**

Requiring a certain commitment unit to include in a notification given to a victim, victim’s representative, or witness regarding the release from confinement of a sentenced defendant or child respondent the telephone number of the Maryland Crime Victims Resource Center.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 801** **Delegate Kaufman, et al**
Chapter 759 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – COMMITTED PERSONS – RELEASE
PROCEEDINGS**

Providing that certain provisions of the Maryland Rules relating to discovery in civil matters apply in a certain administrative proceeding; requiring a court that receives a certain report to promptly notify counsel of record for the committed person; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to notify the court and certain persons if the Department receives a certain report; requiring a court to hold a hearing on request by any party after a certain application is made; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- SB 551** **Senator Sydnor**
Chapter 760 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – COMMITTED PERSONS – RELEASE PROCEEDINGS**
- Providing that certain provisions of the Maryland Rules relating to discovery in civil matters apply in a certain administrative proceeding; requiring a court that receives a certain report to promptly notify counsel of record for the committed person; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to notify the court and certain persons if the Department receives a certain report; requiring a court to hold a hearing on request by any party after a certain application is made; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 496** **Delegate Shetty, et al**
Chapter 761 **CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL CRIMES – DEFINITION OF CONSENT AND REPEAL OF FORCE**
- Requiring certain facts to be considered when determining whether a lack of consent exists for the purposes of determining certain sexual crimes; altering the elements of second-degree rape to remove the requirement of use of force or threat of force; and requiring the Maryland Judiciary to report to the General Assembly, beginning October 1, 2024, and each October 1 thereafter, certain data for the preceding calendar year, disaggregated by county and offender age, race, and sex.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 687** **Senator Smith (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)**
Chapter 762 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – BAIL BONDS – SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**
- Repealing certain provisions of law relating to bail bonds in the Seventh Judicial Circuit.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1095

Senators Smith and Elfreth

Chapter 763

WORKGROUP ON HOME DETENTION MONITORING

Establishing the Workgroup on Home Detention Monitoring to study and make recommendations regarding the costs and availability of both publicly and privately provided pretrial home detention monitoring systems; and requiring the Workgroup to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31 each year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1099

Senator Smith, et al

Chapter 764

EMERGENCY SERVICES – AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR AND NALOXONE CO-LOCATION INITIATIVE – REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Requiring the State Emergency Medical Services Board, in collaboration with the Maryland Department of Health, to develop and implement an initiative under the Public Access Automated External Defibrillator Program to require that naloxone be co-located with each automated external defibrillator placed in a public building; establishing a certain immunity from liability for individuals who administer naloxone made available under the initiative in response to a known or suspected drug overdose; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 42

Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

Chapter 765

PUBLIC HEALTH – PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES AND PROTECTIONS – REVISIONS

Repealing the exceptions that allow the sale, distribution, or purchase of tobacco products, tobacco paraphernalia, and electronic smoking devices to or for certain individuals who are active duty members of the military; authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reallocate from one county to another county certain projected unspent grant funding relating to cancer to address certain funding needs; altering the duties of the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 220 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 766 **Health)**

PUBLIC HEALTH – PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES AND PROTECTIONS – REVISIONS

Repealing the exceptions that allow the sale, distribution, or purchase of tobacco products, tobacco paraphernalia, and electronic smoking devices to or for certain individuals who are active duty members of the military; authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reallocate from one county to another county certain projected unspent grant funding relating to cancer to address certain funding needs; altering the duties of the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 439 **Senator Elfreth, et al**

Chapter 767 **FAMILY LAW – VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM – CERTIFICATION AND GRANT FUND**

Requiring a victims of domestic violence program to be certified by the federally recognized State domestic violence coalition as a comprehensive domestic violence program; establishing the Victims of Domestic Violence Program Grant Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund in the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; and authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to the Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

[SB 975](#)

Senator Elfreth, et al

Chapter 768

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE CLINIC SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT (SUPPORTING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE CLINICS ACT)

Establishing the Reproductive Health Care Clinic Security Grant Program in the Maryland Department of Health to assist reproductive health care clinics in the State with costs associated with security improvements and safety operational expenses; prohibiting the Department from disclosing certain personal information of an individual associated with the Program; and authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

[SB 440](#)

Senator Elfreth, et al

Chapter 769

INCOME TAX CREDIT – VENISON DONATION

Allowing an individual, subject to certain requirements and limitations, to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain qualified expenses if the individual harvests an antlerless deer and donates the deer meat to certain organizations; limiting the amount of credits certain individuals may claim to a maximum of \$300; and requiring by January 31 each year each venison donation program that received certain donations to report certain information about each donor who intended to claim the credit to the Comptroller.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

[HB 447](#)

Delegate Ziegler, et al

Chapter 770

INCOME TAX CREDIT – VENISON DONATION

Allowing an individual, subject to certain requirements and limitations, to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain qualified expenses if the individual harvests an antlerless deer and donates the deer meat to certain organizations; limiting the amount of credits an individual may claim to a maximum of \$300; and requiring by January 31 each year each venison donation program that received certain donations to report certain information about each donor who intended to claim the credit to the Comptroller.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 54 **Delegate Atterbary**

Chapter 771

**PROPERTY TAX – TRANSFER TO HEIR OR LEGATEE –
PAYMENT PLANS**

Exempting a grant of land transferring residential real property from the estate of a decedent to an heir or a legatee of the decedent from certain requirements for the payment of taxes on real property if the heir or legatee of the decedent enters into a payment plan to pay all the taxes due and owed on the property; exempting a grant of land that is subject to a payment plan for property taxes from certain requirements for the payment of taxes if the grantee agrees to assume the grantor's obligations under the payment plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 391 **Senator Kelly, et al**

Chapter 772

**CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL EXTORTION, STALKING, AND
REVENGE PORN – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS AND IN BANC
REVIEW**

Altering the statute of limitations applicable to the crime of sexual extortion to be 5 years and the crime of stalking to be 10 years; providing that the State may institute a prosecution for revenge porn at any time; and providing that, for purposes of the Maryland Constitution, a person who commits revenge porn shall be deemed to have committed a misdemeanor whose punishment is confinement in the penitentiary and may reserve a point or question for a certain in banc review.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 544 **Delegate Atterbary, et al**

Chapter 773

**CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL EXTORTION, STALKING, AND
REVENGE PORN – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS AND IN BANC
REVIEW**

Altering the statute of limitations applicable to the crime of sexual extortion to be 5 years; altering the statute of limitations applicable to the crime of stalking to be 10 years; providing that the State may institute a prosecution for revenge porn at any time; and providing that, for purposes of the Maryland Constitution, a person who commits revenge porn shall be deemed to have committed a misdemeanor whose punishment is confinement in the penitentiary and may reserve a point or question for a certain in banc review.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 808 **Delegate Atterbeary**

Chapter 774

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – RETAIL DELIVERY – LOCAL DELIVERY SERVICE PERMIT

Establishing a local delivery service permit that authorizes the holder to deliver alcoholic beverages from a retail license holder that is authorized to deliver alcoholic beverages to purchasers in a certain jurisdiction under certain circumstances; authorizing retail license holders to deliver alcoholic beverages to purchasers in a certain jurisdiction through a third-party contractor, an independent contractor, or an agent that holds a certain delivery service permit under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 456 **Senator A. Washington**

Chapter 775

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – RETAIL DELIVERY – LOCAL DELIVERY SERVICE PERMIT

Establishing a local delivery service permit that authorizes the holder to deliver alcoholic beverages from a retail license holder that is authorized to deliver alcoholic beverages to purchasers in a certain jurisdiction under certain circumstances; authorizing retail license holders to deliver alcoholic beverages to purchasers in a certain jurisdiction through a third-party contractor, an independent contractor, or an agent that holds a certain delivery service permit under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 191 **Senator A. Washington**

Chapter 776

PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES PROPERTY TAX CREDIT AND OFFICE OF INTEGRITY AND COMPLIANCE PG 503–24

Authorizing the governing body of Prince George’s County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on dwellings that are owned by certain eligible employees of the Prince George’s County Public School System; requiring the Prince George’s County government to submit a certain report concerning the credit to certain persons on or before a certain date; providing that the Office of Integrity and Compliance is an independent unit within the school system; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 986

Chapter 777

Delegate R. Lewis

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – COVERAGE FOR THE TREATMENT OF OBESITY – REQUIRED STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to study the impact of requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide comprehensive coverage for the treatment of obesity, including coverage for intensive behavioral therapy, bariatric surgery, and FDA-approved antiobesity medication; and requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 594

Chapter 778

Senator Hershey

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – COVERAGE FOR THE TREATMENT OF OBESITY – REQUIRED STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to study the impact of requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide comprehensive coverage for the treatment of obesity; requiring the study to identify and compare obesity coverage in other states and examine and estimate any potential savings that may result from requiring obesity coverage; and requiring the Department to report its findings to the House Health and Government Operations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee on or before December 31, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 149

Chapter 779

Delegate Pippy, et al

MEDICAL RECORDS – DESTRUCTION – NOTICE AND RETRIEVAL

Extending the time period from 5 to 7 years during which a health care provider is prohibited from destroying medical records and laboratory and X-ray reports; requiring that the notice required to be provided regarding the destruction of medical records be made to the last known e-mail address of the patient or the parent or guardian of a minor; requiring a health care provider to make a medical record available for retrieval by a patient or a parent or guardian of a minor within a certain time period and at a certain location; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 933 **Delegate Feldmark, et al**

Chapter 780

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES – 9–8–8 TRUST FUND FEES

Establishing a 9–8–8 fee to be paid by each subscriber to switched local exchange access service, commercial mobile radio service, or other 9–8–8-accessible service; establishing a prepaid wireless 9–8–8 fee to be paid on certain retail transactions; requiring the Comptroller to deposit the 9–8–8 fees and the prepaid wireless 9–8–8 fees in the 9–8–8 Trust Fund; and requiring the Comptroller to adopt procedures for auditing fee collection and remittance by telephone companies and commercial mobile radio service providers.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 974 **Senator Guzzone**

Chapter 781

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES – 9–8–8 TRUST FUND FEES

Establishing a 9–8–8 fee to be paid by each subscriber to switched local exchange access service, commercial mobile radio service, or other 9–8–8-accessible service; establishing a prepaid wireless 9–8–8 fee to be paid on certain retail transactions; requiring the Comptroller to deposit the 9–8–8 fees and the prepaid wireless 9–8–8 fees in the 9–8–8 Trust Fund; and requiring the Comptroller to adopt procedures for auditing fee collection and remittance by telephone companies and commercial mobile radio service providers.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 578 **Senator Guzzone, et al**

Chapter 782

PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER INNOVATIVE CANCER SCREENING TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM – FUNDING

Authorizing the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include at least \$500,000 in the annual budget for the Professional and Volunteer Firefighter Innovative Cancer Screening Technologies Program.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1472

Chapter 783

Delegate D. Jones, et al

PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER
INNOVATIVE CANCER SCREENING TECHNOLOGIES
PROGRAM – FUNDING

Authorizing the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2025, to include at least \$500,000 in the annual budget for the Professional and Volunteer Firefighter Innovative Cancer Screening Technologies Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 490

Chapter 784

Delegate D. Jones, et al

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION FOR
DONATIONS TO DIAPER BANKS AND OTHER CHARITABLE
ENTITIES – SUNSET EXTENSION

Extending the termination date applicable to a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for certain donations to diaper banks and other charitable entities; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020, but before January 1, 2027.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 874

Chapter 785

Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al

STATE BOARD OF LONG–TERM CARE ADMINISTRATORS –
REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSISTED LIVING MANAGERS

Extending, from October 1, 2024, to July 1, 2026, the date by which an individual must be licensed by the State Board of Long–Term Care Administrators before practicing as an assisted living manager in the State; altering the requirements for the manager training course that certain assisted living managers are required to complete; altering the requirements for serving as an interim assisted living manager; and requiring the Board to submit certain reports on assisted living managers to certain committees of the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 613

Chapter 786

Senator Beidle

STATE BOARD OF LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATORS – REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSISTED LIVING MANAGERS

Extending, from October 1, 2024, to July 1, 2026, the date by which individuals must be licensed by the State Board of Long-Term Care Administrators before practicing as an assisted living manager in the State; altering the requirements for the manager training course that certain assisted living managers are required to complete to include in-person courses, virtual training methods, or a combination of both; and altering the requirements for serving as an interim assisted living manager.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1333

Chapter 787

Delegate Pena-Melnyk, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND COMMISSION ON HEALTH EQUITY AND COMMISSION ON PUBLIC HEALTH – REVISIONS

Requiring the Maryland Commission on Health Equity to develop and monitor the statewide health equity plan required under a cooperative grant funding agreement with the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation; requiring the Maryland Commission on Health Equity to coordinate with the Maryland Department of Health and the Health Services Cost Review Commission when establishing a certain advisory committee; and altering the reporting requirements for the Commission on Public Health.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1497

Chapter 788

Delegate Pena-Melnyk, et al

STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS – SCOPE OF PRACTICE, REINSTATEMENTS, AND EXAMINATIONS BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

Altering the definition of “practice massage therapy” to include, subject to certain education and training requirements, instrument-assisted soft tissue manipulation techniques that enhance or imitate manual techniques; altering the circumstances under which the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners is required to reinstate a license or registration; and requiring the Board to require a licensee or an applicant to submit to an examination by a health care provider under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1498

Chapter 789

Delegate Pena–Melnyk

STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS – AIDING OR ABETTING UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person from aiding or abetting the unauthorized practice of massage therapy; and providing penalties for a first violation of the Act of a fine of up to \$5,000 or imprisonment not to exceed 1 year and for a subsequent offense, a fine of up to \$20,000 per day or imprisonment not to exceed 5 years.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 973

Chapter 790

Senator Guzzone

HOSPITALS – PRIVATE HOSPITAL GRANT PROGRAM – FUNDING

Codifying a private hospital grant program for the purpose of making recommendations to the Governor for funding for capital projects at private hospitals in the State; requiring the Maryland Hospital Association to establish a certain review committee to develop a certain process for hospitals in the State to submit requests for funding; authorizing the Governor to include in the capital or operating budget bill in certain fiscal years an appropriation of \$20,000,000 for the Private Hospital Grant Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 580

Chapter 791

Senator Guzzone, et al

SALES AND USE TAX – NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS MAINTAINING MEMORIALS – EXEMPTION

Providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to a sale by a nonprofit organization that maintains a memorial on property that is owned by the State if the proceeds of the sale are used to maintain a memorial on property that is owned by the State.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 548** **Delegate Guzzone, et al**
Chapter 792 **TASK FORCE ON RESPONSIBLE USE OF NATURAL PSYCHEDELIC SUBSTANCES**
- Establishing the Task Force on Responsible Use of Natural Psychedelic Substances to study existing laws, scientific data, and practices related to the use of natural psychedelic substances; requiring the Task Force to make recommendations regarding any changes to State law, policies, and practices needed to create a program that enables broad, equitable, and affordable access to psychedelic substances; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before July 31, 2025.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 1009** **Senator Feldman**
Chapter 793 **TASK FORCE ON RESPONSIBLE USE OF NATURAL PSYCHEDELIC SUBSTANCES**
- Establishing the Task Force on Responsible Use of Natural Psychedelic Substances to study and make recommendations related to the use of natural psychedelic substances; and requiring the Task Force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before July 31, 2025.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 694** **Senator Feldman**
Chapter 794 **MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – HEALTH COMMISSIONS AND MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – STUDY**
- Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to contract with an independent consultant to conduct a certain study of the Health Services Cost Review Commission, the Maryland Health Care Commission, the Maryland Insurance Administration, and the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission; and requiring the Department to submit a report on the results of the study to the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on or before January 1, 2026.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 887 **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**

Chapter 795

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – HEALTH
COMMISSIONS AND MARYLAND INSURANCE
ADMINISTRATION – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to contract with an independent consultant to conduct a certain study of the Health Services Cost Review Commission, the Maryland Health Care Commission, the Maryland Insurance Administration, and the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission; and requiring the Department to submit a report on the results of the study to the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on or before January 1, 2026.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 827 **Delegate Qi, et al**

Chapter 796

MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – PROFESSIONAL
EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration to study professional employer organizations in the State to review certain regulations, histories, health plans, requirements, and regulatory structures in other states and to address any potential impacts of proposed statutory changes in the State relating to the offering of health coverage by professional employer organizations on the small group market in the State; and requiring the Administration to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 821 **Senator Feldman**

Chapter 797

MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – PROFESSIONAL
EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration to study professional employer organizations in the State to review certain regulations, history, health plans, requirements, and regulatory structures in other states and to address any potential impacts of proposed statutory changes in the State relating to the offering of health coverage by professional employer organizations on the small group market in the State; and requiring the Administration to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1059

Senator Ellis

Chapter 798

MATERNAL HEALTH – ASSESSMENTS, REFERRALS, AND REPORTING (MARYLAND MATERNAL HEALTH ACT OF 2024)

Establishing requirements on certain health departments and health care providers and facilities regarding maternal health, including requirements regarding prenatal risk assessment forms and postpartum infant and maternal referral forms; requiring the Secretary of Health, in collaboration with the Maryland Health Care Commission, to develop a Maryland Report Card for Birthing Facility Maternity Care; requiring hospitals and freestanding birthing centers to participate in the Severe Maternal Morbidity Surveillance Program; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 1051

Delegate White Holland, et al

Chapter 799

MATERNAL HEALTH – ASSESSMENTS, REFERRALS, AND REPORTING (MARYLAND MATERNAL HEALTH ACT OF 2024)

Establishing requirements on local health departments and certain health care providers and facilities regarding maternal health, including requirements regarding prenatal risk assessment forms and postpartum infant and maternal referral forms; requiring hospitals and freestanding birthing centers to participate in the Severe Maternal Morbidity Surveillance Program to identify risk factors and causes of Severe Maternal Morbidity; requiring the Program to report its findings and recommendations by December 1, 2025; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 1092

Delegate White Holland, et al

Chapter 800

9–1–1 TRUST FUND – PURPOSES – TRAINING IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS RESUSCITATION CARDIOPULMONARY

Altering the purposes of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund to including funding the costs of telecommunications cardiopulmonary resuscitation training.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 649

Chapter 801

Senator Kagan

9-1-1 TRUST FUND – PURPOSES – TRAINING IN
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARDIOPULMONARY
RESUSCITATION

Altering the purposes of the 9-1-1 Trust Fund to include funding the costs of telecommunications cardiopulmonary resuscitation training.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1009

Chapter 802

Delegate Chang

PUBLIC HEALTH – FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH
CENTERS GRANT PROGRAM – RECOVERY OF FUNDING

Altering the number of years after completion of a project funded in part by a grant of the Federally Qualified Health Centers Grant Program after which the State may recover funding under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 881

Chapter 803

Senator Zucker

PUBLIC HEALTH – FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH
CENTERS GRANT PROGRAM – RECOVERY OF FUNDING

Altering the number of years after completion of a project funded in part by a grant of the Federally Qualified Health Centers Grant Program after which the State may recover funding under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 1142

Chapter 804

Senators Zucker and Guzzone

TAX ASSISTANCE FOR LOW-INCOME MARYLANDERS –
FUNDING

Requiring the Comptroller, for fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, to distribute \$500,000 from the remaining net abandoned property funds after certain distributions to the Tax Clinics for Low-Income Marylanders Fund; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget, for fiscal year 2026 and each year thereafter, an appropriation of \$800,000 for the CASH Campaign of Maryland to award grants for providing certain tax assistance through certain on-demand and mobile tax clinics; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 615 **Senator Simonaire, et al**
Chapter 805 GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS –
MARYLAND VETERANS SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY

Requiring the Governor to annually proclaim September 30 as Maryland Veterans Suicide Prevention Day.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 20 **Senator Simonaire**
Chapter 806 ENVIRONMENT – COX CREEK CITIZENS OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE – ALTERATIONS

Altering the membership of the Cox Creek Citizens Oversight Committee; and requiring the Committee to monitor and provide input and feedback to the Maryland Port Administration regarding the management of dredged material at the Cox Creek Dredged Material Containment Facility, advise the Administration of certain complaints, and make recommendations to the Administration on the potential impact that activities at the Facility may have on nearby communities and natural resources.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 343 **Delegate Munoz**
Chapter 807 ENVIRONMENT – DREDGED MATERIAL – CONTAINMENT,
REDEPOSIT, AND OVERSIGHT

Requiring the Cox Creek Oversight Committee to provide input to the Maryland Port Administration regarding management of dredged material at the Cox Creek Dredge Material Containment Facility; authorizing the Department of the Environment to approve contained areas at a large redevelopment site for the redeposit of certain dredged material; establishing the Hart–Miller–Pleasure Island Citizens Oversight Committee to monitor the area water quality, and the future development and use of the Hart–Miller–Pleasure Island chain; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 182 **Senator Sydnor**

Chapter 808

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FACIAL RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY – REQUIREMENTS, PROCEDURES, AND PROHIBITIONS

Establishing requirements, procedures, and prohibitions relating to the use of facial recognition technology by a law enforcement agency; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to develop and administer a training program regarding the use of facial recognition technology on or before June 30, 2026; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy, on or before October 1 each year, to report to the General Assembly information reported by law enforcement agencies using facial recognition technology; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 338 **Delegate Moon, et al**

Chapter 809

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FACIAL RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY – REQUIREMENTS, PROCEDURES, AND PROHIBITIONS

Establishing requirements, procedures, and prohibitions relating to the use of facial recognition technology by a law enforcement agency; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to administer a training program regarding the use of facial recognition technology by June 30, 2026; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to report to the General Assembly by October 1 each year the information reported by law enforcement agencies using facial recognition technology; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 522 **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 810

CHARTER COUNTIES – ENFORCEMENT OF LOCAL LAWS

Increasing from \$1,000 to \$5,000 the maximum amount of a civil or criminal fine that may be imposed by a charter county to enforce certain local laws enacted by the county.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 501** **Delegate Fennell, et al**
Chapter 811 **CHARTER COUNTIES – ENFORCEMENT OF LOCAL LAWS**

Increasing from \$1,000 to \$5,000 the maximum amount of a civil or criminal fine that may be imposed by a charter county to enforce certain local laws enacted by the county.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 938** **Senators Augustine and A. Washington**
Chapter 812 **MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ON PROSTATE, LUNG, AND BREAST CANCER PREVENTION**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop, on or before December 1, 2026, a public education campaign on prostate, lung, and breast cancer prevention that targets communities disproportionately impacted by prostate, lung, and breast cancer; requiring the Department to implement the public education campaign on or before January 1, 2027; requiring the Governor, for fiscal years 2026 through 2030, to include an appropriation to the Department for the public education campaign from the Cigarette Restitution Fund; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025
- HB 1293** **Delegate Woods, et al**
Chapter 813 **MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ON PROSTATE, LUNG, AND BREAST CANCER PREVENTION**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop and implement a 3–year public education campaign on prostate, lung, and breast cancer prevention that targets communities disproportionately impacted by prostate, lung, and breast cancer on or before December 1, 2026; requiring the Department to implement the public education campaign on or before January 1, 2027; requiring the Governor to appropriate, in certain fiscal years, certain funding to the Department for the public information campaign from the Cigarette Restitution Fund; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

- HB 381**
Chapter 814 **Delegate Hill, et al**
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS
- Requiring an applicant for a license to practice optometry and certain applicants for the renewal of a license to submit to a criminal history records check obtained from the Criminal Justice Information Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; and providing that information obtained from the Central Repository is confidential, may not be redisseminated, and is to be used only for licensing purposes.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 175**
Chapter 815 **Senator Augustine**
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS
- Requiring an applicant for a license to practice optometry and certain applicants for the renewal of a license to submit to a criminal history records check obtained from the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; and providing that information obtained from the Central Repository is confidential, may not be redisseminated, and shall be used only for licensing purposes.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 1000**
Chapter 816 **Senator Beidle**
MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – NURSING HOMES – ACQUISITIONS
- Requiring a person, at least 60 days before closing on an acquisition of a nursing home, to submit a request for acquisition to the Maryland Health Care Commission and provide notice to residents, resident representatives, and employees of the nursing home; establishing requirements regarding the approval or denial of a request for acquisition; providing for judicial review of a final decision of the Commission regarding a request for acquisition of a nursing home; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1122

Chapter 817

Delegate Kerr, et al

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – NURSING HOMES
– ACQUISITIONS

Requiring a person, at least 60 days before the closing date of the acquisition of a nursing home, to submit a request for acquisition to the Maryland Health Care Commission and provide certain notice to residents, resident representatives, and employees of the nursing home; establishing requirements regarding the approval or denial of a request for acquisition of a nursing home; providing for judicial review of a final decision of the Commission regarding a request for acquisition of a nursing home; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1125

Chapter 818

Delegate Kerr, et al

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – LICENSING
REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Exempting an individual who practices as a certain nursing assistant for less than 4 months under federal regulations from the State's certification requirement; altering the designation of, and licensure requirements for, certified nursing assistants and geriatric nursing assistants; requiring an applicant for certification as a certified nursing assistant to complete a nursing assistant competency evaluation; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 999

Chapter 819

Senator Beidle

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – LICENSING
REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Exempting an individual who practices as a certain nursing assistant for less than 4 months under federal regulations from the State's certification requirement; altering the designation of, and licensure requirements for, certified nursing assistants and geriatric nursing assistants; requiring an applicant for certification as a certified nursing assistant to complete a nursing assistant competency evaluation; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 292

Chapter 820

Delegate Kerr, et al

STATE PROCUREMENT – MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF
CONTRACT APPEALS – ATTORNEY’S FEES

Authorizing the Board of Contract Appeals to award an interested party reasonable costs of filing and pursuing a protest, including attorney’s fees, if an appeal is sustained and there is a violation of law or regulation; and authorizing the Board of Contract Appeals to award a contractor under any State contract the reasonable costs of filing and pursuing a claim, including attorney’s fees, if the unit processing the claim acts in bad faith, without justification, or in violation of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 667

Chapter 821

Senator Charles

STATE PROCUREMENT – MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF
CONTRACT APPEALS – ATTORNEY’S FEES

Authorizing the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals to award an interested party reasonable costs of filing and pursuing a protest, including attorney’s fees, if an appeal is sustained and there is a violation of law or regulation; and authorizing the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals to award a contractor under any State contract the reasonable costs of filing and pursuing a claim, including attorney’s fees, if the unit acts in bad faith, without justification, or in violation of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 865

Chapter 822

Delegate Martinez, et al

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH
INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR PROSTHESES (SO EVERY
BODY CAN MOVE ACT)

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide certain coverage related to prostheses; establishing that certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations must comply with certain provider network requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

- SB 614** **Senator Beidle, et al**
Chapter 823 MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH
INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR PROSTHESES (SO EVERY
BODY CAN MOVE ACT)
- Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide certain coverage related to prostheses beginning January 1, 2025; establishing that certain insurers, nonprofit health plans, and health maintenance organizations must comply with certain provider network requirements; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025
- SB 1001** **Senator Beidle**
Chapter 824 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY
LICENSE – REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZATIONS
- Altering certain cultivation or production requirements applicable to a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license by basing them on certain agricultural products instead of grapes and other fruit; and altering the standards for the purchase of certain wine by a license holder.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 1083** **Delegate Pruski**
Chapter 825 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY
LICENSE – REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZATIONS
- Altering certain cultivation or production requirements applicable to a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license by basing them on certain agricultural products instead of grapes and other fruit; and altering the standards for the purchase of certain wine by a license holder.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 36 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 826 **Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)**

**INSURANCE – PROTECTIONS AFTER LOSS OR DAMAGE TO
PROPERTY**

Prohibiting a public adjuster, or anyone acting on behalf of a public adjuster, from soliciting or attempting to solicit a client between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.; altering the statements that are required to be included in a public adjuster contract; altering a certain rescission period for public adjuster contracts; and requiring a public adjuster to provide notice to the Commissioner, in a form and manner the Commissioner determines, within 1 business day after the public adjuster has entered into a contract.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 90 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 827 **Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)**

INSURANCE – HEARING REPRESENTATION

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to allow corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, and sole proprietorships that are small employers to be represented by certain authorized individuals rather than an attorney in certain hearings held by the Commissioner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 230 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 828 **Maryland Insurance Administration)**

INSURANCE – HEARING REPRESENTATION

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to allow corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, and sole proprietorships that are small employers to be represented by certain authorized individuals rather than an attorney in certain hearings held by the Commissioner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 969

Chapter 829

Delegate Bartlett, et al

DEATH CERTIFICATES – CAUSE OR MANNER OF DEATH DETERMINATIONS – REQUIREMENTS AFTER CHANGE OR CORRECTION (KATHERINE MORRIS DEATH RECLASSIFICATION ACT)

Requiring, if a victim's initial determination of death recorded on the victim's death certificate was amended or corrected to be undetermined or homicide, an assistant State's Attorney with knowledge of the case to meet with a person in interest on the request of the person in interest for a certain purpose; requiring a law enforcement agency to reopen or reinvestigate an investigation involving the death of a victim whose cause or manner of death was amended or corrected to be undetermined or homicide; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 476

Chapter 830

Delegate Bartlett, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FORENSIC GENETIC GENEALOGICAL DNA ANALYSIS AND SEARCH – APPLICABILITY FOR DECEASED AND MISSING INDIVIDUALS

Providing that certain provisions of law regarding the use of a certain forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis and search (FGGS) do not apply when the FGGS is conducted solely for the purpose of identifying an individual who is deceased or the subject of a certain missing person report and whose whereabouts are unknown.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 549

Chapter 831

Senator Sydnor

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FORENSIC GENETIC GENEALOGICAL DNA ANALYSIS AND SEARCH – APPLICABILITY FOR DECEASED AND MISSING INDIVIDUALS

Providing that certain provisions of law regarding the use of a certain forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis and search (FGGS) do not apply when the FGGS is conducted solely for the purpose of identifying an individual who is deceased or the subject of a certain missing person report and whose whereabouts are unknown.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1127

Chapter 832

Delegate Bartlett, et al

SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED THROUGH TELEHEALTH – REIMBURSEMENT AND STUDY

Authorizing the reimbursement of a sexual assault forensic exam conducted through peer-to-peer telehealth under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Committee to conduct a study on the feasibility of a telehealth program that includes a pilot program for conducting sexual assault forensic examinations through telehealth; and requiring the Committee to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 950

Chapter 833

Senator Hettleman

SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED THROUGH TELEHEALTH – REIMBURSEMENT AND STUDY

Authorizing the reimbursement of a sexual assault forensic exam conducted through peer-to-peer telehealth under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Committee to conduct a study on the feasibility of a telehealth program that includes a pilot program for conducting sexual assault forensic examinations through telehealth; and requiring the Committee to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 113

Chapter 834

Senator Kelly, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL SOLICITATION OF A MINOR THROUGH CHILD PORNOGRAPHY – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting an individual from knowingly and with a certain intent soliciting a minor or law enforcement officer posing as a minor to engage in certain prohibited sexual acts with the minor by a certain means.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 99

Chapter 835

Delegate Bartlett

**CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL SOLICITATION OF A MINOR
THROUGH CHILD PORNOGRAPHY – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting an individual from knowingly and with a certain intent soliciting a minor or law enforcement officer posing as a minor to engage in certain prohibited sexual acts with the minor by a certain means.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 134

Chapter 836

Senator Hettleman, et al

**OFFICE OF THE CORRECTIONAL OMBUDSMAN –
ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNDING**

Establishing the Office of the Correctional Ombudsman; authorizing the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board to make a recommendation for the distribution of money from the Performance Incentive Grant Fund to the Office for fiscal year 2025 only; requiring the Office to conduct investigations, reviews, and assessments of administrative acts taken by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, by the Department of Juvenile Services, or in relation to individuals confined by either department; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 144

Chapter 837

Senators Hettleman and Gile

**MEDICAL RECORDS – FEES – ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING
PATIENTS**

Adding an attorney representing a patient to the list of individuals to whom a health care provider is prohibited from charging a fee for providing copies of a medical record that will be used for the purpose of filing a claim regarding or appealing a denial of Social Security disability income or Social Security benefits.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 153** **Delegate Rosenberg, et al**
Chapter 838 **MEDICAL RECORDS – FEES – ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING PATIENTS**
- Adding an attorney representing a patient to the list of individuals to whom a health care provider is prohibited from charging a fee for providing copies of a medical record that will be used for the purpose of filing a claim regarding or appealing a denial of Social Security disability income or Social Security benefits.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 952** **Senator Hettleman**
Chapter 839 **ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – ASSISTED LIVING REFERRERS – REQUIREMENTS AND PROHIBITIONS**
- Establishing certain requirements for assisted living referrers, including requirements related to the maintenance of general liability insurance, criminal history records checks, and the provision of certain agreements and descriptions of services; prohibiting an assisted living referrer from requesting payment for a referral more than 2 years after the referral was made; requiring the Office of Health Care Quality to maintain a certain database of approved assisted living programs; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 353** **Delegate Cullison, et al**
Chapter 840 **MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – 2-1-1 MARYLAND – OVERSIGHT**
- Defining the term “Health and Human Services Referral System” for the purposes of certain provisions of law governing the System to mean a certain coordinated system for health and human service resources that is accessible to State residents, rather than a certain telephone service; repealing the requirement that the Maryland Department of Health evaluate the performance of certain call centers and make certain recommendations regarding the quality of service provided by call centers; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 705

Senators Hayes and Lam

Chapter 841

HEALTH INSURANCE – QUALIFIED RESIDENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM (ACCESS TO CARE ACT)

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement the Qualified Resident Enrollment Program to facilitate the enrollment of qualified residents in qualified plans; providing that the operation and administration of the Program may include functions delegated by the Maryland Exchange to a third party; and providing that the implementation of the Program is contingent on approval of a certain waiver application amendment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 728

Delegate Cullison, et al

Chapter 842

HEALTH INSURANCE – QUALIFIED RESIDENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM (ACCESS TO CARE ACT)

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement the Qualified Resident Enrollment Program to facilitate the enrollment of qualified residents in qualified plans; providing that the operation and administration of the Program may include functions delegated by the Exchange to a third party; and providing that the implementation of the Program is contingent on approval of a certain waiver application amendment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 959

Delegate Bhandari, et al

Chapter 843

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – CERTIFIED DIALYSIS TECHNICIANS – CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT

Altering the continuing education requirement for certified dialysis technicians to complete 3 hours of continuing education approved by the Board.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

[HB 1143](#)

Delegate Bhandari, et al

Chapter 844

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – MARYLAND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WAIT TIME REDUCTION COMMISSION – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Emergency Department Wait Time Reduction Commission to address factors throughout the health care system that contribute to increased emergency department wait times; authorizing the Commission to request data from certain entities; and requiring the Commission, beginning November 1, 2025, to report annually to the Governor and General Assembly on its activities and findings including updates on the development, impact and, implementation of the recommended programs on emergency department wait times.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

[SB 790](#)

Senators Klausmeier and Ellis

Chapter 845

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to provide Maryland Medical Assistance Program services for individuals under the Employed Individuals with Disabilities Program in accordance with certain requirements; prohibiting the Department from limiting eligibility to receive services under the EID Program based on certain criteria; requiring the Department, on or before December 1, 2024, to submit a report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the impact of implementing an EID Program that serves certain individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

[HB 822](#)

Delegate Cullison, et al

Chapter 846

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to provide Maryland Medical Assistance Program services for qualified applicants who are at least 16 years old and for existing Program recipients under the Employed Individuals with Disabilities Program in accordance with certain requirements; prohibiting the Department from limiting eligibility to receive services under the EID Program based on certain criteria; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 932

Chapter 847

Delegate Cullison, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – UTILIZATION REVIEW – REVISIONS

Altering and establishing requirements and prohibitions related to health insurance utilization review; altering requirements related to internal grievance procedures and adverse decision procedures; altering certain reporting requirements on health insurance carriers relating to adverse decisions; and establishing requirements on health insurance carriers and health care providers relating to the provision of patient benefit information.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 791

Chapter 848

Senator Klausmeier

HEALTH INSURANCE – UTILIZATION REVIEW – REVISIONS

Altering and establishing requirements and prohibitions related to health insurance utilization review; altering requirements related to internal grievance procedures and adverse decision procedures; altering certain reporting requirements on health insurance carriers relating to adverse decisions; and establishing requirements on health insurance carriers and health care providers relating to the provision of patient benefit information.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 408

Chapter 849

Senator Klausmeier

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – REPORTS ON STANDING ORDERS AND OPIOID OVERDOSE REVERSAL DRUGS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to report, on or before December 1, 2024, December 1, 2025, and December 1, 2026, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on current opioid overdose reversal drugs approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration and, for any approved opioid overdose reversal drug, whether the Department has added the drug to a standing order and, if not, the reasons why the drug has not been added.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 411 **Delegate Kipke, et al**

Chapter 850

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – REPORTS ON
STANDING ORDERS AND OPIOID OVERDOSE REVERSAL
DRUGS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on current opioid overdose reversal drugs and, for any current opioid overdose reversal drug approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration, whether the Department has added the drug to a standing order and, if not, the reasons why the drug has not been added; and requiring the report to be submitted by December 1, 2024, December 1, 2025, and December 1, 2026.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 751 **Senator Klausmeier**

Chapter 851

**PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOID RESTITUTION ADVISORY
COUNCIL AND FUND – REVISIONS**

Requiring the Secretary of Health to present decisions for the allocations of money from the Opioid Restitution Fund to the Opioid Restitution Fund Advisory Council; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to post on the Department's website certain information regarding allocations of money from the Fund; and requiring the Department to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2024, on the best process for making the expenditures of all opioid settlement agreements accessible to the public.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 980

Chapter 852

Delegate Rosenberg, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOID RESTITUTION ADVISORY COUNCIL AND FUND – REVISIONS

Requiring the Secretary of Health to present decisions for the allocations of money from the Opioid Restitution Fund to the Opioid Restitution Fund Advisory Council; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to post on the Department’s website certain information regarding allocations of money from the Fund; and requiring the Department to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2024, on the best process for making the expenditures of all opioid settlement agreements accessible to the public.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1134

Chapter 853

Delegates Bagnall and Lopez

HOSPITALS AND RELATED INSTITUTIONS – RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS – ACCREDITATION

Altering the definition of “accredited residential treatment center” for certain provisions of law governing hospitals and related institutions to include residential treatment centers accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities or the Council on Accreditation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 403

Chapter 854

Senator Klausmeier

HOSPITALS AND RELATED INSTITUTIONS – RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS – ACCREDITATION

Altering the definition of “accredited residential treatment center” for certain provisions of law governing hospitals and related institutions to include residential treatment centers accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities or the Council on Accreditation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1053

Chapter 855

Delegate Kaiser, et al

STATE BOARD OF NURSING – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
QUALIFICATIONS

Altering the qualifications for the executive director of the State
Board of Nursing.

CONTINGENT – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 16

Chapter 856

Delegate Kaiser

TAX SALES – HOMEOWNER PROTECTION PROGRAM –
FUNDING

Requiring each collector of property taxes to include with each
property tax bill a separate insert that describes the Homeowner
Protection Program and encourages taxpayers to make a voluntary
donation to the Program through a website maintained by the State
Department of Assessments and Taxation.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1482

Chapter 857

Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo

UNINSURED DRIVING PENALTIES – FUNDING FOR THE
MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND, DRIVER
EDUCATION, AND TRANSPORTATION TO FIELD TRIPS

Altering the penalty for failing to maintain certain required security
for certain motor vehicles and the distribution of the revenue derived
from the penalties; establishing the Driver Education in Public High
Schools Grant Program to provide grants to public high schools and
nonprofit organizations to assist public schools in offering driver
education courses; establishing the State–Aided Institutions Field
Trip Grant Program to assist public schools in transporting students
to field trips at State–aided educational institutions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 5

Chapter 858

Delegate Crosby

CRIMINAL LAW – INDECENT EXPOSURE WITHIN THE PRESENCE OF A MINOR

Prohibiting a person from committing the common law crime of indecent exposure; prohibiting a person from, with prurient intent, committing the common law crime of indecent exposure when the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor is present and the minor is at least 2 years old and is more than 4 years younger than the person; and establishing a penalty of 5 years of imprisonment or a fine of up to \$10,000 or both on conviction for a crime of indecent exposure in the presence of a minor.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 130

Chapter 859

Senator Bailey, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – INDECENT EXPOSURE WITHIN THE PRESENCE OF A MINOR

Prohibiting a person from committing the common law crime of indecent exposure; prohibiting a person from, with prurient intent, committing the common law crime of indecent exposure when the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor is present and the minor is at least 2 years old and is more than 4 years younger than the person; and establishing a penalty of imprisonment not exceeding 5 years or a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or both on a conviction for the crime of indecent exposure in the presence of a minor.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 712

Chapter 860

Senator Bailey

STATE-OWNED NURSING HOMES – DEFICIENCIES, CITATIONS, AND FINES – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the department charged with oversight of a State-owned nursing home operated by a contractor, instead of the contractor, to provide notice of certain deficiencies and enforcement actions to the Governor, certain members of the General Assembly, and the local governing body of the county in which the nursing home is located; and requiring the department charged with oversight to provide certain information within 30 days after the contractor's final acceptance of a plan of correction or completion of an informal dispute resolution.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 938 **Delegate Crosby, et al**

Chapter 861

**STATE-OWNED NURSING HOMES – DEFICIENCIES,
CITATIONS, AND FINES – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the department charged with oversight of a State-owned nursing home operated by a contractor, instead of the contractor, to provide notice of certain deficiencies and enforcement actions to the Governor and certain members of the General Assembly; requiring the department charged with oversight, rather than the contractor, to provide certain information to certain persons within 30 days after the contractor's final acceptance of a plan of correction or completion of an informal dispute resolution; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 429 **Senator Bailey**

Chapter 862

**CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – PROTESTANT
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON**

Repealing uncodified provisions of law relating to the Protestant Episcopal Church, Diocese of Washington, commonly known as the "Vestry Act"; and providing for the governance of religious corporations in union with the Protestant Episcopal Church, Diocese of Washington.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 119 **Senator Lam, et al**

Chapter 863

**LEGALLY PROTECTED HEALTH CARE – GENDER-AFFIRMING
TREATMENT**

Altering the definition of "legally protected health care" to include certain gender-affirming treatment, including medications and supplies, for the purposes of certain provisions of law that prohibit health occupations disciplinary actions and certain actions in criminal and civil proceedings and the use of certain resources in furtherance of certain investigations and proceedings related to legally protected health care.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 371

Senator Lam

Chapter 864

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – PERSONAL CARE AIDES – WAGE REPORTS

Requiring residential service agencies to submit certain reports to the Maryland Department of Labor regarding wage rates for personal care aides by September 1 each year, beginning in 2025; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee by the 180th day after the release of the final federal Ensuring Access to Medicaid Services rule on an overview of the final rule and plans or steps that the Department will take to operationalize the rule.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 189

Delegate R. Lewis, et al

Chapter 865

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – PERSONAL CARE AIDES – WAGE REPORTS

Requiring residential service agencies to submit certain reports to the Maryland Department of Labor regarding wage rates for personal care aides on or before September 1 each year, beginning in 2025; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by the 180th day after the release of the final federal Ensuring Access to Medicaid Services rule on an overview of the final rule and plans or steps that the Department will take to operationalize the rule.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 718

Senators Lam and McKay

Chapter 866

MARYLAND PATHWAY TO NURSING PILOT PROGRAM AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Pathway to Nursing Pilot Program in the Maryland Higher Education Commission to support students in licensed practical nursing education programs who intend to practice nursing as a career in the State; requiring the Secretary of Higher Education to issue grants to at least two pilot sites on or before July 1, 2025; requiring the Secretary, on or before each December 15 annually through 2029, to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the implementation of the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 991

Senator Lam

Chapter 867

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE SERVICES
PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Language Assistance Services Pilot Program in the Behavioral Health Administration to provide grants to local behavioral health authorities to reimburse behavioral health providers for language assistance services for children with limited English proficiency accessing and receiving behavioral health services and for parents and legal guardians coordinating the provision of behavioral health services and making health care decisions regarding the services on behalf of a child; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1259

Delegate Alston, et al

Chapter 868

**HEALTH INSURANCE – BREAST AND LUNG CANCER
SCREENING – COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS**

Including image-guided breast biopsy in the definition of “supplemental breast examination” for the purpose of certain provisions of law requiring insurers, health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for supplemental breast examinations; clarifying that coverage requirements for lung cancer screening apply to follow-up diagnostic imaging; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

HB 759

Delegate Alston

Chapter 869

**ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES –
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE –
NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring advanced practice registered nurses practicing as an advanced practice registered nurse in the State to notify patients in writing if the nurse does not maintain professional liability insurance coverage or if the coverage has lapsed and not been renewed; requiring that the notification be provided at certain visits and as part of certain informed consents, signed by a patient at certain times, and retained as part of the advanced practice registered nurse’s patient records; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 996

Chapter 870

Senator Klausmeier

**ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES –
PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE –
NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring advanced practice registered nurses practicing as an advanced practice registered nurse in the State to notify patients in writing if the nurse does not maintain professional liability insurance coverage or if the coverage has lapsed and no been renewed; requiring that the notification be provided at certain visits and as part of certain informed consents, signed by a patient at certain times, and retained as part of the advanced practice registered nurse’s patient records; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 830

Chapter 871

Senator Klausmeier

**STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – PERFORMANCE OF X-RAY
DUTIES WITHOUT A LICENSE**

Altering the circumstances under which individuals without a license to practice medicine may perform X-ray duties; authorizing the State Board of Physicians to impose for each violation of the Act a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 on the physician’s office and up to \$1,000 on the individual who violated the Act; requiring the Board, by October 1, 2029, to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the number of individuals registered to perform limited X-ray duties and the continuation or replacement of the registration process; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

HB 934

Chapter 872

Delegate Hutchinson, et al

**STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – PERFORMANCE OF X-RAY
DUTIES WITHOUT A LICENSE**

Altering the circumstances under which individuals without a license to practice medicine may perform X-ray duties; authorizing the State Board of Physicians to impose a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 for each violation on the physician’s office and \$1,000 for each individual violation of the Act; and requiring the Board, by October 1, 2029, to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the number of individuals registered to perform limited X-ray duties and the continuation or replacement of the registration process.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

SB 336

Chapter 873

Senator Klausmeier

**INSURANCE – PRODUCER LICENSING REQUIREMENTS –
EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE**

Repealing the requirements for education and experience for licensing of certain insurance producers, including producers for property and casualty insurance, life insurance, health insurance, annuities, and related products.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 265

Chapter 874

Delegate Qi

**INSURANCE – PRODUCER LICENSING REQUIREMENTS –
EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE**

Repealing the requirements for education and experience for licensing of certain insurance producers, including producers for property and casualty insurance, life insurance, health insurance, annuities, and related products.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1081

Chapter 875

Delegate Phillips, et al

**PUBLIC SAFETY – AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS –
CAPTURED PLATE DATA STORAGE AND UPLOAD**

Altering the definition of “historical data” to include automatic license plate reader data stored by cloud computing; establishing that certain captured automatic license plate reader data is the property of a certain law enforcement agency and may not be sold for any purpose; establishing that certain captured automatic license plate reader data may be uploaded to the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center; and extending certain penalties for a violation of the Act to a vendor contracted by a law enforcement agency.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 840

Chapter 876

Senator Sydnor

**PUBLIC SAFETY – AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS –
CAPTURED PLATE DATA STORAGE AND UPLOAD**

Altering the definition of “historical data” to include automatic license plate reader data stored by cloud computing; establishing that certain captured automatic license plate reader data is the property of a certain law enforcement agency and may not be sold for any purpose; establishing that certain captured automatic license plate reader data may be uploaded to the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center; and extending certain penalties for a violation of the Act to a vendor contracted by a law enforcement agency.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 111

Chapter 877

Senator Sydnor

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PROTECTION OF IDENTITY OF
MINOR VICTIM**

Providing that a court or a party in a criminal or juvenile delinquency case may not disclose or allow inspection of an electronic or paper court filing, including a charging document, to a nonparty to the case unless the court or the party disclosing or allowing inspection of the filing redacts all identifying information relating to a minor victim that appears in the filing, unless the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that there is good cause to order otherwise.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 458

Chapter 878

Delegate Phillips, et al

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PROTECTION OF IDENTITY OF
MINOR VICTIM**

Providing that a court or a party in a criminal or juvenile delinquency case may not disclose or allow inspection of an electronic or paper court filing to a nonparty to the case unless the court or the party disclosing or allowing inspection of the filing redacts all identifying information relating to a minor victim that appears in the filing, unless the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that there is good cause to order otherwise.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 59

Chapter 879

Senator Ellis, et al

HOSPITALS – CARE OF INFANTS AFTER DISCHARGE (SAFE SLEEP ACT OF 2024)

Requiring a hospital to take certain actions relating to the care of infants as soon as practicable before the hospital discharges an infant after the birth of the infant, including providing oral and written educational resources to the parent or legal guardian on how to provide a safe sleep environment and providing a list of resources available for an infant’s parent or legal guardian; requiring each hospital, by January 1, 2025, to establish a process for providing and confirming the receipt of the educational resources; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 177

Chapter 880

Delegate R. Lewis, et al

HOSPITALS – CARE OF INFANTS AFTER DISCHARGE (SAFE SLEEP ACT OF 2024)

Requiring a hospital, as soon as practicable before discharging an infant after the birth of the infant, to provide oral and written resources to the parent or legal guardian; requiring a hospital, before discharging an infant, to ask the parent or legal guardian to describe the sleep environment that will be provided at home; requiring, by January 1, 2025, each hospital to establish a process for providing resources and information about safe sleep environments to parents and legal guardians of infants; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 39

Chapter 881

Delegate R. Lewis

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – REIMBURSEMENT – PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES (HOMECARE WORKER RIGHTS ACT OF 2024)

Authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse a residential service agency for personal assistance services only if the personal assistance services are provided by an individual classified as an employee.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

- SB 197** **Senator Ellis**
Chapter 882 RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – REIMBURSEMENT –
PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES (HOMECARE WORKER
RIGHTS ACT OF 2024)

Authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse a
residential service agency for personal assistance services only if the
personal assistance services are provided by an individual classified
as an employee.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026
- SB 839** **Senator Sydnor**
Chapter 883 GENERAL PROVISIONS – DAMAGES OR LOSSES – DEFINITION

Defining “damages” or “losses” in statutory causes of action to protect
civil rights or consumer rights and providing that “damages” or
“losses” includes reasonable nominal damages.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 832** **Delegate Stewart**
Chapter 884 GENERAL PROVISIONS – DAMAGES OR LOSSES – DEFINITION

Defining “damages” or “losses” in statutory causes of action to protect
civil rights or consumer rights and providing that “damages” or
“losses” includes reasonable nominal damages.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 1155** **Delegate Stewart, et al**
Chapter 885 HOSPITALS – OPIOID OVERDOSE AND OPIOID-RELATED
EMERGENCY MEDICAL CONDITIONS – TREATMENT

Requiring hospitals to establish and maintain certain protocols and
capacity related to the treatment of patients who are being treated
for an opioid-related overdose or opioid-related emergency medical
condition; requiring hospitals to make a referral for patients who are
diagnosed with opioid use disorder or administered or prescribed
medication for opioid use disorder to an appropriate provider to
voluntarily continue treatment in the community and work with peer
support professionals for a certain purpose; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

- SB 1071** **Senator McKay**
Chapter 886 HOSPITALS – OPIOID OVERDOSE AND OPIOID-RELATED
EMERGENCY MEDICAL CONDITIONS – TREATMENT
- Requiring hospitals to establish and maintain certain protocols and capacity related to the treatment of patients who are being treated for an opioid-related overdose or opioid-related emergency medical condition; requiring hospitals to make a referral for patients who are diagnosed with opioid use disorder or administered or prescribed medication for opioid use disorder to an appropriate provider to voluntarily continue treatment in the community and work with peer support professionals for a certain purpose; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025
- SB 187** **Senator Sydnor**
Chapter 887 CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INMATE EMPLOYMENT –
AGRICULTURAL WORK
- Repealing the authority of the Division of Correction to arrange for inmates not needed or being used by the State Highway Administration to perform emergency road work to be employed in agricultural work during any part of the year at a camp in Queen Anne’s County or any other county with a similar camp.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 94** **Delegate Pasteur**
Chapter 888 CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INMATE EMPLOYMENT –
AGRICULTURAL WORK
- Repealing the authority of the Division of Correction to arrange for inmates not needed or being used by the State Highway Administration to perform emergency road work to be employed in agricultural work during any part of the year at a camp in Queen Anne’s County or any other county with a similar camp.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1078

Chapter 889

Delegate Woods, et al

**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – REMOTE
ULTRASOUND PROCEDURES AND REMOTE FETAL
NONSTRESS TESTS**

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide remote ultrasound procedures and remote fetal nonstress tests if the patient is in a residence or a location other than the office of the patient's provider and the provider follows the same standard of care that the provider would follow when providing the services on-site.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1105

Chapter 890

Delegate Woods, et al

**ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES –
CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT AND EXCEPTIONS**

Requiring an individual, subject to certain exceptions, to be certified as an advanced practice registered nurse before practicing advanced practice registered nursing in the State.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1337

Chapter 891

Delegate Woods, et al

**HEALTH INSURANCE – APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES PROCESS
– REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring carriers to report additional data on the number of members entitled to health care benefits under a policy, plan, or certificate and the number of clean claims for reimbursement processed by a carrier to Maryland Health Commissioner.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 181

Chapter 892

Senator McCray, et al

**QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS – TRAINING AND
REENTRY SERVICES – FUNDING**

Authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation of \$1,000,000 in the annual budget bill for fiscal years 2026 through 2028 to provide operating grants to certain qualifying nonprofit organizations for the purpose of providing training in automotive repair to incarcerated or formerly incarcerated individuals; and requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to administer the grant funds.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 468 **Senator McCray (By Request – Baltimore City**
Chapter 893 **Administration)**

**CRIMINAL LAW – PRIVATE HOME DETENTION MONITORING
– NOTIFICATION**

Requiring a private home detention monitoring agency to notify the court within 24 hours after a defendant subject to home monitoring as a condition of pretrial release has violated a condition of home detention monitoring; requiring a private home detention monitoring agency to notify the Division of Parole and Probation within 1 hour after an individual subject to home monitoring as a condition of probation violated a condition of home detention monitoring; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 186 **Delegate Hartman**

Chapter 894

**EASTERN SHORE CODE COUNTIES – MAXIMUM HOTEL
RENTAL TAX RATE – ALTERATION**

Increasing, from 5% to 6%, the maximum hotel rental tax rate that counties in the Eastern Shore class of code counties may impose.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 147 **Delegate Hartman**

Chapter 895

TOBACCO TAX STAMP REFUNDS – LOSS DUE TO THEFT

Authorizing a claimant who buys tobacco tax stamps to receive a refund for tobacco tax stamps affixed to stolen property; requiring the claimant to provide the Comptroller with certain documentation when making a claim for a refund; and providing for a fine for making a false claim of double the amount of any tax refund in addition to any other authorized penalties.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 72 **Senators McCray and Lam**

Chapter 896

TOBACCO TAX STAMP REFUNDS – LOSS DUE TO THEFT

Authorizing a claimant who buys tobacco tax stamps to receive a refund for tobacco tax stamps affixed to stolen property; requiring the claimant to provide the Comptroller with certain documentation when making a claim for a refund; and providing for a fine for making a false claim of double the amount of any tax refund received in addition to any other authorized penalties.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 66

Chapter 897

Delegate Charkoudian

PROPERTY TAX CREDITS – PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES, HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, AND PROPERTY USED FOR LOCAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit for certain residential real property owned by a public school employee under certain circumstances; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit for certain buildings if the owner made certain health or safety improvements on or after July 1, 2024; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 287

Chapter 898

Delegate Charkoudian, et al

PROPERTY TAX – RENTERS’ PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM – ASSETS CALCULATION

Excluding the cash value of any qualified retirement savings plans or individual retirement accounts from the definition of “assets” for purposes of certain property tax relief provided to certain renters; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 342

Chapter 899

Senator McCray

PROPERTY TAX – RENTERS’ PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM – ASSETS CALCULATION

Excluding the cash value of any qualified retirement savings plans or individual retirement accounts from the definition of “assets” for purposes of certain property tax relief provided to certain renters; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 402

Chapter 900

Senator McKay

CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP – ALTERATIONS

Altering the membership of the Correctional Training Commission; requiring certain members of the Commission appointed by the Governor to represent certain geographic regions; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

- HB 786**
Chapter 901 **Delegate Bagnall, et al**
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LIMITED LICENSE TO PRACTICE
DENTISTRY – SERVICES FOR ADULTS
Authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to waive certain education requirements for certain applicants for a limited license to practice dentistry who provide dental services for adults.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 799**
Chapter 902 **Senators McKay and Guzzone**
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LIMITED LICENSE TO PRACTICE
DENTISTRY – SERVICES FOR ADULTS
Authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to waive certain education requirements for certain applicants for a limited license to practice dentistry who provide dental services for adults.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 600**
Chapter 903 **Senator Kramer**
MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DENTAL
SERVICES – COVERAGE AND RATE STUDY
Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to study the feasibility of including removable full and partial dentures and setting adequate reimbursement rates for providers on a per-patient basis for house calls and extended care facility calls among the coverage offered by the Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program; and requiring the Department to report its findings from the study to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee by December 1, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 103 **Delegate Bagnall**

Chapter 904

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DENTAL SERVICES – COVERAGE AND RATE STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to study the feasibility of including removable full and partial dentures and setting adequate reimbursement rates for providers on a per-patient basis for house calls and extended care facility calls among the coverage offered by the Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program; and requiring the Department to report its findings from the study to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee by December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 499 **Delegate Bagnall, et al**

Chapter 905

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PRIVATE DENTAL OFFICES – INFECTION CONTROL

Requiring each owner of a private dental office to designate a licensed dentist to be the supervising dentist for the private dental office; requiring a supervising dentist to complete the registration required by the State Board of Dental Examiners and be responsible for all infection control activities within the private dental office; authorizing the Board to charge a fee for the registration of a supervising dentist under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 412 **Senator Gile, et al**

Chapter 906

MENTAL HEALTH LAW – COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEES – MEMBERSHIP

Altering the membership of a county's mental health advisory committee by including an individual with experience with mental health care for veterans or individuals serving in the military on the list of groups from which individuals may be appointed to the committee by the governing body of the county.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 408** **Delegate Bagnall, et al**
Chapter 907 **MENTAL HEALTH LAW – COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH
ADVISORY COMMITTEES – MEMBERSHIP**
- Altering the membership of a county’s mental health advisory committee by including an individual with experience with mental health care for veterans or individuals serving in the military on the list of groups from which individuals may be appointed to the committee by the governing body of the county.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 822** **Senator Kramer, et al**
Chapter 908 **INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – STATE LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**
- Altering a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for the first \$5,000 of income earned by certain law enforcement officers to include State law enforcement officers who reside in a political subdivision in which the crime rate exceeds the State’s crime rate; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2023.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 1476** **Delegate Kerr**
Chapter 909 **STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING
AID DISPENSERS, SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, AND
MUSIC THERAPISTS – APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS**
- Requiring the Governor to appoint the licensed audiologist members to the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists from a list submitted by the Maryland Academy of Audiology rather than by the Board.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 714 **Senators Kramer and Hershey**

Chapter 910

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS, SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, AND MUSIC THERAPISTS – APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

Requiring the Governor to appoint the licensed audiologist members to the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists from a list submitted by the Maryland Academy of Audiology rather than by the Board.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1162 **Delegate Rogers, et al**

Chapter 911

9–1–1 SPECIALIST RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION WORKGROUP

Establishing the 9–1–1 Specialist Recruitment and Retention Workgroup to identify and examine recruitment and retention challenges that affect 9–1–1 specialists in the State; and requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024, and a final report on or before December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 1034 **Senator Carozza, et al**

Chapter 912

9–1–1 SPECIALIST RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION WORKGROUP

Establishing the 9–1–1 Specialist Recruitment and Retention Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to review the reports submitted by the Commission to Advance Next Generation 9–1–1 Across Maryland, identify and examine certain recruitment and retention challenges, and make certain recommendations; and requiring the Workgroup to submit to the Governor and the General Assembly an interim report of its findings and recommendations on or before December 1, 2024, and a final report of its findings and recommendations on or before December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 159

Chapter 913

Senator Gile, et al

COURTS – MILITARY RECORDS – RECORDATION AND INSPECTION

Altering certain provisions of law relating to the recordation and inspection of certain military records kept by the clerk of a circuit court to authorize the clerk to keep an electronic record instead of a book to record and index the discharge papers of a person who has served in the uniformed services of the United States and require the clerk to deny inspection of the electronic record except under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 125

Chapter 914

Delegate Rogers, et al

COURTS – MILITARY RECORDS – RECORDATION AND INSPECTION

Altering certain provisions of law relating to the recordation and inspection of certain military records kept by the clerk of a circuit court to authorize the clerk to keep an electronic record instead of a book to record and index the discharge papers of a person who has served in the uniformed services of the United States; and requiring the clerk to deny inspection of the electronic record except under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 461

Chapter 915

Delegate Martinez, et al

HEALTH – STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON QUALITY CARE AT THE END OF LIFE – RENAMING

Renaming the State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life to be the State Advisory Council on Serious Illness Care.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 6

Chapter 916

Senator Gile, et al

**PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR DWELLING HOUSE OF
DISABLED VETERANS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering eligibility for a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans to include individuals who have been declared by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a nonpermanent service-connected disability of 100% that results from blindness or any other disabling cause that was not caused or incurred by misconduct of the veteran; altering the criteria for determining the amount of the credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 63

Chapter 917

Delegate Pruski

**PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR DWELLING HOUSE OF
DISABLED VETERANS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering eligibility for a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans to include individuals who have been declared by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a nonpermanent service-connected disability of 100% that results from blindness or any other disabling cause; authorizing a county or municipal corporation, notwithstanding certain provisions of the Act, to enact a law limiting eligibility for the tax credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 1041

Chapter 918

Senators Gile and Folden

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERIES, WINERIES, AND
DISTILLERIES – DIRECT DELIVERY**

Establishing direct-to-consumer alcoholic beverages delivery permits authorizing the direct delivery of beer, wine, or liquor to a consumer in the State; establishing the requirements an individual must meet to qualify for a direct-to-consumer alcoholic beverages delivery permit; establishing a maximum amount that a recipient of an alcoholic beverages delivery may receive annually; and repealing a maximum amount that a consumer may purchase when visiting certain alcoholic beverage manufacturers.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 167

Chapter 919

Senator Carozza

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – REVISIONS (PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2024)

Requiring that a physician assistant have a collaboration agreement, rather than a delegation agreement, in order to practice as a physician assistant; altering the scope of practice of a physician assistant; altering the education required for licensure as a physician assistant; authorizing physician assistants employed by the federal government to perform certain functions during a certain disaster; and requiring the State Board of Physicians to review and update the list of advanced duties for physician assistants.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 806

Chapter 920

Delegate Kerr, et al

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – REVISIONS (PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2024)

Requiring that a physician assistant have a collaboration agreement, rather than a delegation agreement, in order to practice as a physician assistant; altering the scope of practice of a physician assistant; altering the education required for licensure as a physician assistant; authorizing physician assistants who are employees of the federal government to perform acts, tasks, or functions during a certain disaster; and requiring the State Board to review and update the list of duties for physician assistants.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1110

Chapter 921

Delegates Kerr and Simpson

MARYLAND INTRASTATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT – CITY OF FREDERICK

Authorizing the City of Frederick to participate in the Maryland Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 84

Chapter 922

Delegate Kerr, et al

**HOSPITALS AND URGENT CARE CENTERS – SEPSIS
PROTOCOL (LOCHLIN’S LAW)**

Requiring, on or before January 1, 2025, each hospital and urgent care center in the State to implement an evidence–based protocol for the early recognition and treatment of a patient with sepsis, severe sepsis, or septic shock that is based on generally acceptable standards of care; requiring a specialty psychiatric hospital to establish a certain process; and requiring hospitals and urgent care centers to require periodic training in the implementation of the protocol for certain staff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 332

Chapter 923

Senators Lewis Young and Guzzone

**HOSPITALS AND URGENT CARE CENTERS – SEPSIS
PROTOCOL (LOCHLIN’S LAW)**

Requiring, on or before January 1, 2025, each hospital and urgent care center in the State to implement an evidence–based protocol for the early recognition and treatment of a patient with sepsis, severe sepsis, or septic shock that is based on generally acceptable standards of care; requiring a specialty psychiatric hospital to establish a certain process; and requiring hospitals and urgent care centers to require periodic training in the implementation of the protocol for certain staff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 51

Chapter 924

Delegate Rosenberg, et al

**PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND PEDIATRIC CANCER FUND
AND COMMISSION**

Altering the use of the Maryland Pediatric Cancer Fund to require that the Fund be used only for pediatric cancer research instead of only for pediatric cancer research, prevention, and treatment and to allow funds from the Fund to be used for administrative expenses; and establishing the Pediatric Cancer Research Commission to oversee the award of competitive grants from the Fund and to develop criteria and a process for reviewing grant applications.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 13

Chapter 925

Senator Jackson

**PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND PEDIATRIC CANCER FUND
AND COMMISSION**

Altering the use of the Maryland Pediatric Cancer Fund to require that the Fund be used only for pediatric cancer research instead of only for pediatric cancer research, prevention, and treatment and to allow funds from the Fund to be used for administrative expenses; and establishing the Pediatric Cancer Research Commission to oversee the award of competitive grants from the Fund and to develop criteria and a process for reviewing grant applications.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 136

Chapter 926

Senators Jackson and Muse

**FAMILY LAW – MARRIAGE CEREMONY – DESIGNATION OF
DEPUTY CLERK**

Transferring, from the county administrative judge of the circuit court for the county to the clerk of the circuit court for the county, the authority to designate a deputy clerk to perform a marriage ceremony.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 300

Chapter 927

Delegate Toles, et al

**FAMILY LAW – MARRIAGE CEREMONY – DESIGNATION OF
DEPUTY CLERK**

Transferring, from the county administrative judge of the circuit court for the county to the clerk of the circuit court for the county, the authority to designate a deputy clerk to perform a marriage ceremony.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- HB 531**
Chapter 928 **Delegate Embry, et al**
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – PAROLE SUPERVISION FEES AND DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE TEST PAYMENT – REPEAL
Repealing the requirement for the Maryland Parole Commission to assess a fee against an individual on parole and supervised by the Division of Parole and Probation under certain circumstances; and repealing authorization for the Division of Parole and Probation to require a supervisee of the Division who is on parole to pay for certain drug or alcohol abuse testing under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 905**
Chapter 929 **Senator Kelly, et al**
PUBLIC SAFETY – EXTREME RISK PROTECTIVE ORDERS – REVIEW OF COURT RECORDS
Authorizing researchers affiliated with institutions of higher education who are conducting research to review a court record related to a petition for an extreme risk protective order; requiring the Maryland Judiciary to require an institution of higher education that has researchers reviewing court records to enter into an agreement providing for the storage and handling of the records; authorizing the Judiciary to institute an injunction or other remedy for a violation of the agreement and to prevent disclosure of certain records; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 755**
Chapter 930 **Delegate Bhandari**
STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER LICENSES
Altering the membership of the State Board of Social Work Examiners; and repealing obsolete references to certified social worker licenses.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

- SB 106** **Senator Kelly**
Chapter 931 STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – BOARD
MEMBERSHIP AND CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER LICENSES
Altering the membership of the State Board of Social Work
Examiners; and repealing obsolete references to certified social
worker licenses.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- SB 944** **Senator Kelly**
Chapter 932 NONPRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND DEVICES – PROVISION BY
REGISTERED NURSES AND SALE OF CONTRACEPTIVES
THROUGH AUTOMATIC DEVICES
Prohibiting the sale of natural membrane condoms, rather than all
nonlatex condoms, through a vending machine or other automatic
device; excluding a violation of the prohibition on the sale of natural
membrane condoms through a vending machine or other automatic
device from certain penalties; and authorizing registered nurses to
provide, without a prescription, nonprescription drugs and devices in
a local health department under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 1171** **Delegate Williams, et al**
Chapter 933 NONPRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND DEVICES – PROVISION BY
REGISTERED NURSES AND SALE OF CONTRACEPTIVES
THROUGH AUTOMATIC DEVICES
Prohibiting the sale of natural membrane condoms, rather than all
nonlatex condoms, through a vending machine or other automatic
device; excluding the violation of a certain provision of the Act from
certain penalties; and authorizing registered nurses to provide,
without a prescription, nonprescription drugs and devices in a local
health department under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 1063** **Delegate Williams, et al**
Chapter 934 CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS – UNDERLYING CRIME
Altering the definition of “underlying crime” that is applicable to
certain prohibitions against participation in criminal organizations.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 379

Chapter 935

Senator West, et al

**TASK FORCE TO STUDY CRIME CLASSIFICATION –
RENAMING, MEMBERSHIP, AND DUTIES**

Extending the Task Force to Study Crime Classification and renaming it to be the Task Force to Study Crime Reclassification and Penalties; requiring the Task Force to study the penalties for crimes and civil offenses under State law, the potential need for reclassification of certain crimes, the alteration of penalties, and whether certain changes should be made to crimes lacking an explicit mens rea; and requiring the Task Force to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 1036

Chapter 936

Senator West

**TASK FORCE ON THE CREATION OF A DIVISION OF
RETURNING CITIZENS AND EXPANDED REENTRY SERVICES
– ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Task Force on the Creation of a Division of Returning Citizens and Expanded Reentry Services; and requiring the Task Force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 1037

Chapter 937

Delegate Taylor, et al

**TASK FORCE ON THE CREATION OF A DIVISION OF
RETURNING CITIZENS AND EXPANDED REENTRY SERVICES
– ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Task Force on the Creation of a Division of Returning Citizens and Expanded Reentry Services to identify reentry services in the State, develop a plan to establish a new division within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, and develop a plan to expand certain services for individuals after release from incarceration; and requiring the Task Force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

- HB 1329** **Delegate Attar**
Chapter 938 DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION – PRIVATE HOME
DETENTION MONITORING – EARNED COMPLIANCE CREDITS
- Authorizing individuals under supervision by a private home detention monitoring agency to receive earned compliance credits; requiring a private home detention monitoring agency to provide a report of an individual’s compliance to the Division of Parole and Probation during the monitoring period; and establishing certain minimum elements to be included in the report.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 763** **Delegate Attar, et al**
Chapter 939 COMMISSION ON HATE CRIME RESPONSE AND PREVENTION
– MEMBERSHIP
- Altering the membership of the Commission on Hate Crime Response and Prevention.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- SB 11** **Senator Carter**
Chapter 940 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT – VENDOR
CONTRACTS
- Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to include system upgrades required to allow for automated expungement of charges and partial expungement of charges in any vendor contracts being negotiated at a certain time.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 452** **Senator Carter**
Chapter 941 COURTS – PROHIBITED LIABILITY AGREEMENTS –
RECREATIONAL FACILITIES
- Establishing that a provision in a contract or agreement relating to the use of a recreational facility that purports to limit the recreational facility’s liability, or release the recreational facility from or indemnify or hold harmless the recreational facility against liability, for injury caused by or resulting from the negligence or other wrongful acts of the recreational facility or its agents or on-duty employees is void and unenforceable under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 729

Senator Carter

Chapter 942

BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS – SECURITY GUARDS – USE OF FORCE REPORTING, STANDARDS, AND CERTIFICATIONS

Prohibiting a use of force report from including information that is prohibited from disclosure by State or federal law; requiring the employer of a security guard providing security guard services on the premises of a health care facility to report certain information to the Secretary of State Police every 7 days; and altering the effective date of certain provisions of law relating to security guards from June 1, 2024, to January 1, 2025.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 620

Senator Carter

Chapter 943

RESOURCES AND EDUCATION FOR ALL PRISONS (REAP) ACT

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to assist incarcerated individuals in accessing federal Pell Grants for higher education; requiring the Department to set goals for the number of incarcerated individuals in certain education programs, establish tracking systems relating to the number of incarcerated individuals and their progress in certain education programs, and forward certain data to the Maryland Higher Education Commission; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 92

Delegate Amprey

Chapter 944

RESOURCES AND EDUCATION FOR ALL PRISONS (REAP) ACT

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to assist incarcerated individuals in accessing federal Pell Grants for higher education; requiring the Department to set goals for the number of incarcerated individuals in postsecondary education programs, establish tracking systems for their progress in postsecondary education programs, and forward certain data to the Maryland Higher Education Commission; requiring the Commission to assist the Department in establishing the tracking systems; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- HB 209**
Chapter 945 **Delegate Amprey, et al**
PRISON EDUCATION DELIVERY REFORM COMMISSION
Establishing the Prison Education Delivery Reform Commission to develop recommendations relating to education and its impact on the criminal justice system; and requiring the Commission to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 1, 2025, and a final report by January 1, 2026.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- SB 623**
Chapter 946 **Senator Carter**
PRISON EDUCATION DELIVERY REFORM COMMISSION
Establishing the Prison Education Delivery Reform Commission to develop recommendations relating to education and its impact on the criminal justice system; and requiring the Commission to submit to the Governor and the General Assembly an interim report of its findings and recommendations by June 1, 2025, and a final report of its findings and recommendations by January 1, 2026.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024
- HB 732**
Chapter 947 **Baltimore City Delegation**
BALTIMORE CITY – CONTROL OVER POWERS OF POLICE COMMISSIONER
Repealing a prohibition on certain Baltimore City ordinances or acts of certain municipal officials from conflicting, impeding, obstructing, hindering, or interfering with the powers of the Baltimore City Police Commissioner; and making a portion of the Act contingent on the passage and ratification, by a certain date, of a certain Baltimore City Charter amendment.
CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 894

Chapter 948

Senator Carter

BALTIMORE CITY – CONTROL OVER POWERS OF POLICE COMMISSIONER

Repealing a prohibition on certain Baltimore City ordinances or acts of certain municipal officials from conflicting, impeding, obstructing, hindering, or interfering with the powers of the Baltimore City Police Commissioner; and making a portion of the Act contingent on the passage and ratification, by January 1, 2025, of an amendment to the Charter of Baltimore City that provides for the appointment, terms of office, and the powers and duties of the Baltimore City Police Commissioner and Department.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 532

Chapter 949

Senator Gallion

COMMISSION TO ADVANCE LITHIUM–ION BATTERY SAFETY IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Commission to Advance Lithium–Ion Battery Safety in Maryland; requiring the Commission to study and make legislative, regulatory, programmatic, and other recommendations regarding certain best practices, standards, and guidelines; and requiring the Commission to submit an interim report of its progress and status to the Legislative Policy Committee on or before December 1, 2024, and a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 468

Chapter 950

Delegates Love and Boyce

COMMISSION TO ADVANCE LITHIUM–ION BATTERY SAFETY IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Commission to Advance Lithium–Ion Battery Safety in Maryland to study and make legislative, regulatory, programmatic, or other recommendations regarding certain best practices, standards, and guidelines; requiring the Commission to submit an interim progress report to the Legislative Policy Committee by December 1, 2024; and requiring the Commission to submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 1339

Chapter 951

Delegate Reilly, et al

**HEALTH INSURANCE – HEARING AIDS FOR ADULTS –
COVERAGE**

Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide certain health insurance benefits under certain insurance policies or contracts to provide certain coverage for certain hearing aids for adults; authorizing a limit on the benefit payable of \$1,400 per hearing aid every 36 months; and authorizing an insured or enrollee to choose a certain hearing aid and pay a certain amount for the hearing aid without financial or contractual penalty to the provider of the hearing aid.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

SB 778

Chapter 952

Senator Gallion

**HEALTH INSURANCE – HEARING AIDS FOR ADULTS –
COVERAGE**

Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide certain health insurance benefits under certain insurance policies or contracts to provide certain coverage for certain hearing aids for adults; authorizing a limit on the benefit payable of \$1,400 per hearing aid every 36 months; and authorizing an insured or enrollee to choose a certain hearing aid and pay a certain amount for the hearing aid without financial or contractual penalty to the provider of the hearing aid.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

HB 97

Chapter 953

Delegate Taveras, et al

**BABY FOOD – TOXIC HEAVY METALS – TESTING AND
LABELING (RUDY'S LAW)**

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2025, manufacturers of baby food to test a representative sample of each production aggregate of the manufacturer's final baby food product for certain toxic heavy metals; requiring, beginning January 1, 2026, manufacturers of baby food to make certain information related to the testing and a link to certain guidance available on the manufacturer's website; requiring a consumer to report to the Maryland Department of Health if the consumer believes that baby food is being sold with toxic heavy metals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 723

Chapter 954

Senator Benson

BABY FOOD – TOXIC HEAVY METALS – TESTING AND LABELING (RUDY’S LAW)

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2025, manufacturers of baby food to test a representative sample of each production aggregate of baby food for toxic heavy metals; requiring, beginning January 1, 2026, manufacturers of baby food to make certain information related to the testing and a link to certain guidance and information publicly available on the manufacturer’s website; requiring a consumer to report baby food to the Maryland Department of Health if the consumer believes the baby food is being sold with toxic heavy metals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 36

Chapter 955

Senator Benson

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INVESTIGATION OF SUSPECTED HOMICIDE – REPORTING

Requiring the Department of State Police, on or before December 31 each year, to post on its website and submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a report detailing, for the preceeding calendar year, the number of investigations completed by the Department of deaths of incarcerated individuals suspected to be homicides that occur while the incarcerated individuals are in the custody of the Division of Correction and the number of cases referred to the Department for prosecution following an investigation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 565

Chapter 956

Delegate Simmons, et al

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INVESTIGATION OF SUSPECTED HOMICIDE – REPORTING

Requiring the Department of State Police to investigate any death of an incarcerated individual suspected to be a homicide that occurs while the individual is in the custody of the Division of Correction whether within or outside a correctional facility; and requiring the Department, by December 31 each year, to report to the Governor and the General Assembly the number of investigations completed and the number of cases referred by the Department for prosecution for the preceding calendar year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 557 **Delegate Adams, et al**

Chapter 957

SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION – AIRCRAFT PARTS AND EQUIPMENT – REPEAL OF REPORTING REQUIREMENT AND EXTENSION OF SUNSET

Repealing a certain reporting requirement relating to an exemption from the sales and use tax for certain materials, parts, and equipment used to repair, maintain, or upgrade aircraft or certain aircraft systems; and extending the termination date of the exemption to June 30, 2030.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 574 **Senator Corderman, et al**

Chapter 958

SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION – AIRCRAFT PARTS AND EQUIPMENT – REPEAL OF REPORTING REQUIREMENT AND EXTENSION OF SUNSET

Repealing a certain reporting requirement relating to an exemption from the sales and use tax for certain materials, parts, and equipment used to repair, maintain, or upgrade aircraft or certain aircraft systems; and extending the termination date of the exemption from June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2030.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 328 **Delegate Lopez, et al**

Chapter 959

HOSPITALS – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICIES – REVISIONS

Altering the required contents of a hospital's financial assistance policy by removing the requirement that the provision of reduced-cost medically necessary care and payment plans be in accordance with the mission and service area of the hospital; authorizing hospitals to consider only household monetary assets in excess of \$100,000 when determining eligibility for free and reduced-cost care under the hospital's financial assistance policy; and requiring that certain retirement assets be excluded from consideration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 676 **Delegate M. Morgan, et al**
Chapter 960 **RIGHT TO TRY ACT – INDIVIDUALIZED INVESTIGATIONAL TREATMENTS**

Altering certain provisions of law authorizing certain activity by manufacturers of investigational drugs, biological products, or devices under the Right to Try Act to apply to manufacturers of certain individualized investigational treatments; altering the definition of “eligible patient” under the Right to Try Act to include individuals who have life-threatening or severely debilitating illnesses, rather than only individuals who have terminal illnesses; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 378 **Delegate Guzzone**
Chapter 961 **STATE BOARD OF DIETETIC PRACTICE – DIETITIAN–NUTRITIONISTS – APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring that an individual shall have received at a minimum a degree from a college or university accredited by an educational accrediting association as required by the Commission on Dietetic Registration to be licensed as a dietician–nutritionist.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1056 **Delegate Guzzone, et al**
Chapter 962 **STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – PROHIBITION ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST 340B DRUG DISTRIBUTION**

Prohibiting a 340B manufacturer from taking certain direct or indirect actions to limit or restrict the acquisition or delivery of a 340B drug; making a violation of the Act an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice within the meaning of the Consumer Protection Act; and requiring the Maryland Prescription Drug Affordability Board to conduct a study of the 340B Program and report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly by July 1, 2026.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1244 **Delegate Smith, et al**

Chapter 963

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION – ACADEMIC PROGRAM APPROVAL AND INSTITUTIONAL MISSION STATEMENTS – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, the Department of Commerce, and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to each have a certain staff member who performs certain duties related to defining, identifying, and compiling data regarding the workforce needs in the State; requiring the Commission to establish a Program Review Process Advisory Council; authorizing the Commission or an institution of higher education to file an objection to implementation of a proposed online program under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1340 **Delegate Anderton**

Chapter 964

WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MONOPOLY OF LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD AND DISPENSARY – REPEAL

Repealing the monopoly of the Liquor Control Board for Wicomico County and its dispensaries on the sale and distribution of certain liquor at wholesale in the county; authorizing the holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses to purchase alcoholic beverages from a dispensary or a wholesaler; repealing the prohibition on delivery of certain liquor by certain wholesalers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1358 **Delegate Ruff, et al**

Chapter 965

NATURAL RESOURCES – GWYNNNS FALLS STATE PARK – FOCUS GROUP, ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND REPORT

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources and Baltimore City to convene focus group meetings on the establishment of the Gwynns Falls State Park with community members and stakeholders that reside or operate in the vicinity of the proposed State park; requiring the Department and Baltimore City to establish a stakeholder advisory committee; and requiring the Department to submit a report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2025, on properties suitable for inclusion in the State park and certain funding requirements.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 769 **Frederick County Senators**

Chapter 966

**FREDERICK COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR
PROPERTY LOCATED IN HISTORIC DISTRICT – ALTERATIONS**

Repealing certain requirements for the amount and duration of a tax credit against the property tax imposed on certain improved real property owned by the Emmitsburg Civic Association and located in a historic district in Frederick County; authorizing the governing body of Frederick County to provide, by law, for the amount and duration of the credit and certain other matters relating to the credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 1357 **Howard County Delegation**

Chapter 967

**HOWARD COUNTY – PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES
AGREEMENTS – MODERATE INCOME HOUSING HO. CO. 8–24**

Authorizing certain owners of real property and the governing body of Howard County to enter into payment in lieu of taxes agreements for maintaining a certain number of moderate income housing units at the property; requiring the County Executive of Howard County to publish on the county’s website the methodology used to calculate the negotiated payment amount under a payment in lieu of taxes agreement authorized under the Act and to reevaluate the methodology at least once every 5 years; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 1402 **Montgomery County Delegation**

Chapter 968

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY – STATE’S ATTORNEY’S OFFICE
PERSONNEL – APPLICATION OF COUNTY PERSONNEL LAWS
AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MC 12–24**

Establishing the right of certain employees of the Office of the State’s Attorney in Montgomery County to organize and collectively bargain in accordance with certain personnel law governing county employees; establishing that employees of the Office of the State’s Attorney are subject to the county merit system law and personnel regulations; establishing certain requirements related to collective bargaining for employees of the Office; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 396 Prince George's County Delegation

Chapter 969

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SALES AND USE TAX ON ENERGY AND FUEL – USE OF REVENUE PG 407–24

Altering a certain provision of law relating to the use of certain revenue from the sales and use tax on energy and fuel in Prince George's County by allowing the revenue to be used to meet certain education funding requirements for the county; and repealing a requirement that the county appropriate a certain amount of local money to the school operating budget each fiscal year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 398 Prince George's County Delegation

Chapter 970

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – TAXES ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES – USE OF REVENUE PG 406–24

Authorizing the Prince George's County Council to impose an excise tax on certain telecommunications service in Prince George's County in addition to, or instead of, a sales and use tax; altering a certain provision of law relating to the use of certain revenue from a certain tax on telecommunications services by allowing the revenue to be used to meet certain education funding requirements for the county; requiring the county to submit an annual report detailing the expenditure of revenues generated by a tax imposed by the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 35 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)

Chapter 971

PROPERTY TAX – SUBMISSION OF BUILDING PERMITS TO SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS – ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST

Requiring local permit offices to include a construction cost estimate when submitting a copy of a building permit to the supervisor of assessments of the county where the building is located.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 154 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 972 **Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

**HOMEOWNERS’ AND HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDITS –
APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE – EXTENSION**

Authorizing the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept an application for the homeowners’ property tax credit submitted by a homeowner within 3 years after April 15 of the taxable year for which the credit is sought if the homeowner is enrolled in the Homeowner Protection Program; and providing for the calculation of the homestead property tax credit for certain homeowners under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 286 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 973 **Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

**HOMEOWNERS’ AND HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDITS –
APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE – EXTENSION**

Authorizing the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept an application for the homeowners’ property tax credit submitted by a certain homeowner within 3 years after April 15 of the taxable year for which the credit is sought if the homeowner is enrolled in the Homeowner Protection Program; and providing for the calculation of the homestead property tax credit for certain homeowners under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 507 **Delegates Buckel and Hinebaugh**
Chapter 974 **ALLEGANY AND GARRETT COUNTIES – PROPERTY TAX –
CREDIT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING**

Authorizing the governing bodies of Allegany County and Garrett County and municipal corporations located in Allegany County and Garrett County to grant, by law, a property tax credit on certain newly constructed dwellings; prohibiting the tax credit from exceeding \$10,000; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 636 **Allegheny County Delegation**

Chapter 975

ALLEGANY COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – EVERGREEN HERITAGE CENTER

Authorizing the governing body of Allegheny County or a municipal corporation in Allegheny County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on property that is owned by the Evergreen Heritage Center.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 502 **Senator McKay**

Chapter 976

ALLEGANY COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – EVERGREEN HERITAGE CENTER

Authorizing the governing body of Allegheny County or a municipal corporation in Allegheny County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on property that is owned by the Evergreen Heritage Center.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 358 **Prince George’s County Delegation**

Chapter 977

PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – WORKGROUP ON HEALTH AND WELLNESS PG 409–24

Establishing a Workgroup on Health and Wellness in Prince George’s County to review and evaluate health and wellness practices, programs, services, and resources in Prince George’s County and make recommendations regarding best practices in health and wellness community programming in the county; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George’s County Executive, the Chair of the Prince George’s County Council, the Governor, and the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

- SB 151**
Chapter 978 **Senator Muse**
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – WORKGROUP ON HEALTH AND WELLNESS
- Establishing a Workgroup on Health and Wellness in Prince George's County to review and evaluate health and wellness practices, programs, services, and resources in Prince George's County and make recommendations regarding best practices in health and wellness community programming in the county; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County Executive, the Chair of the Prince George's County Council, the Governor, and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2025.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 668**
Chapter 979 **Delegate Pruski**
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY
- Making the salary of the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County equal to the salary of a captain in the Anne Arundel County Police Department at step 20 in the pay scale, beginning in calendar year 2025.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- SB 658**
Chapter 980 **Anne Arundel County Senators**
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY
- Making, beginning in calendar year 2025, the salary of the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County equal to the salary of a captain in the Anne Arundel County Police Department at step 20 in the pay scale.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 906**
Chapter 981 **Delegate Hinebaugh**
GARRETT COUNTY – SHERIFF'S SALARY – ALTERATION
- Altering the salary of the Sheriff of Garrett County; and repealing the requirement for the Garrett County Salary Study Commission to study and issue a report that contains recommendations relating to the salary of the Sheriff.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 521 **Senator McKay**

Chapter 982

GARRETT COUNTY – SHERIFF’S SALARY – ALTERATION

Altering the salary of the Sheriff of Garrett County; and repealing the requirement for the Garrett County Salary Study Commission to study and issue a report that contains recommendations relating to the salary of the Sheriff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 960 **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 983

CITY OF FREDERICK – ASSIGNMENT OF OFFENDERS TO ROAD WORK – REPEAL

Repealing a provision of law requiring a District Court judge to assign, if practicable, an offender to work the public roads of Frederick County or the City of Frederick as a penalty for a violation of a municipal law or ordinance of the City of Frederick.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 975 **Delegate Otto**

Chapter 984

SOMERSET COUNTY – FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Authorizing the County Commissioners of Somerset County to enact local laws and adopt other measures to manage, direct, and regulate fire, rescue, and emergency medical services in the County; authorizing the County Commissioners to authorize or create an entity or a body to administer the County’s affairs in the County relating to fire, rescue, and emergency medical services; and requiring the County Commissioners to establish an Emergency Services Advisory Council to make certain recommendations under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

- SB 807** **Senator Carozza**
Chapter 985 SOMERSET COUNTY – FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES
- Authorizing the County Commissioners of Somerset County to enact local laws and adopt other measures to manage, direct, and regulate fire, rescue, and emergency medical services in the County; authorizing the County Commissioners to authorize or create an entity or a body to administer the County’s affairs in the County relating to fire, rescue, and emergency medical services; and requiring the County Commissioners to establish an Emergency Services Advisory Council to make certain recommendations under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024
- HB 976** **Delegate Otto**
Chapter 986 SOMERSET COUNTY – FIRE COMPANIES – APPROPRIATIONS
- Requiring the County Commissioners of Somerset County to appropriate to certain organized volunteer fire companies in the county certain amounts for fiscal years 2025 through 2030; and requiring that the appropriations required for fiscal year 2030 remain in effect for subsequent fiscal years unless altered by a future enactment.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- SB 829** **Senator Carozza**
Chapter 987 SOMERSET COUNTY – FIRE COMPANIES – APPROPRIATIONS
- Requiring the County Commissioners of Somerset County to appropriate to certain organized volunteer fire companies in the county certain amounts for fiscal years 2025 through 2030; and requiring that the appropriations required for fiscal year 2030 remain in effect for subsequent fiscal years unless altered by a future enactment.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024
- HB 1060** **Carroll County Delegation**
Chapter 988 CARROLL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY
- Increasing the annual salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County to \$191,078.10 beginning in 2026 and \$212,309 beginning in 2027.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1093

Chapter 989

Delegate Bagnall

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION – SUBPOENA ENFORCEMENT

Authorizing the Human Relations Commission of Anne Arundel County to apply to a circuit court in any county to seek relief if a party fails to comply with a subpoena.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SB 1038

Chapter 990

Anne Arundel County Senators

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION – SUBPOENA ENFORCEMENT

Authorizing the Human Relations Commission of Anne Arundel County to seek relief if a party fails to comply with a subpoena by applying to a circuit court in any county for an order requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of books, papers, records, electronically stored information, documents, and tangible property; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1213

Chapter 991

Baltimore County Delegation

BALTIMORE COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY

Altering the annual salary of the Sheriff of Baltimore County.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 1450

Chapter 992

Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY TASK FORCE TO STUDY REVENUE OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL CAPITAL NEEDS HO. CO. 18–24

Establishing the Howard County Task Force to Study Revenue Options for School Capital Needs to identify capital needs of Howard County Public Schools and study options for closing any identified funding gaps; requiring the Howard County Council to submit a resolution to the Howard County Delegation to the General Assembly if the county council makes a certain determination; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Howard County members of the House of Delegates and the Senate by October 31, 2024.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 1039

Chapter 993

Frederick County Senators

**FREDERICK COUNTY – JUVENILES – TRUANCY REDUCTION
PILOT PROGRAM**

Authorizing the Circuit Administrative Judge of the Sixth Circuit to establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in Frederick County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HB 307

Chapter 994

Prince George’s County Delegation

**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
LICENSES – NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS PG 304–24**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George’s County to issue a Class C (fraternal/sororal/service organization) alcoholic beverages license for use by an independent and nonprofit fraternal or sororal organization that meets certain requirements; authorizing the Board to revoke or suspend a license if a license holder is found guilty of certain violations; and providing for an annual license fee of \$910.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 9

Chapter 995

Senator Watson

**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
LICENSES – NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George’s County to issue a Class C (fraternal/sororal/service organization) alcoholic beverages license for use by an independent and nonprofit fraternal or sororal organization that meets certain requirements.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 335

Chapter 996

Delegates Addison and Young

**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – B–D–7
LICENSES – HOURS OF SALE**

Altering a geographic boundary in the 45th alcoholic beverages district of Baltimore City within which a holder of a B–D–7 alcoholic beverages license must operate in accordance with certain hours.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 45

Chapter 997

Senator McCray

**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – B–D–7
LICENSES – HOURS OF SALE**

Altering a geographic boundary in the 45th alcoholic beverages district of Baltimore City within which a holder of a B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license must operate in accordance with certain hours.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 362

Chapter 998

Delegate Ghrist, et al

**CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON LICENSE**

Establishing a barbershop and beauty salon beer and wine license in Caroline County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Caroline County to issue the license to a holder of a certain barbershop or beauty salon permit; establishing a licensing fee of \$100; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 531

Chapter 999

Caroline County Senators

**CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON LICENSE**

Establishing a barbershop and beauty salon beer and wine license in Caroline County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Caroline County to issue the license to a holder of a certain barbershop or beauty salon permit; establishing a licensing fee of \$100; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 363

Chapter 1000

Delegate Ghrist, et al

**CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER,
WINE, AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE**

Altering the 1–day beer and wine tasting (BWT) license in Caroline County to be a 1–day beer, wine, and liquor tasting (BWLTT) license; altering certain qualifications for the license; and altering the amounts of alcoholic beverages an individual may consume at a tasting.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 529 **Caroline County Senators**

Chapter 1001 CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER,
WINE, AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE

Altering the 1–day beer and wine tasting (BWT) license in Caroline County to be a 1–day beer, wine, and liquor tasting (BWLTT) license; altering certain qualifications for the license; and altering the amounts of alcoholic beverages an individual may consume at a tasting.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 586 **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 1002 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WEINBERG
CENTER/NEW SPIRES ARTS STAGES BEER, WINE, AND
LIQUOR LICENSE

Altering the Class C (Weinberg Center) beer, wine, and liquor license in Frederick County to be the Class C (Weinberg Center/New Spires Arts Stages) beer, wine, and liquor license; expanding the licensed premises to include the New Spires Arts Stages; altering the officials who may sign a certain license application; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor at an event held by an outside group that has rented the Weinberg Arts Center or the New Spires Arts Stages; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 563 **Frederick County Senators**

Chapter 1003 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WEINBERG
CENTER/NEW SPIRES ARTS STAGES BEER, WINE, AND
LIQUOR LICENSE

Altering the Class C (Weinberg Center) beer, wine, and liquor license in Frederick County to be the Class C (Weinberg Center/New Spires Arts Stages) beer, wine, and liquor license; expanding the licensed premises to include the New Spires Arts Stages; altering the officials who may sign a certain license application; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor at an event held by an outside group that has rented the Weinberg Arts Center or the New Spires Arts Stages; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 587 **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 1004 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
MANUFACTURER’S LIMITED BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR
PERMIT

Establishing a manufacturer’s limited beer, wine, and liquor permit in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue a permit to holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses; establishing that the permit authorizes the holder to allow a licensed caterer or other contracted party to provide sealed beer, wine, and liquor products not manufactured by the holder during private events for on–premises consumption; and requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 561 **Frederick County Senators**

Chapter 1005 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
MANUFACTURER’S LIMITED BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR
PERMIT

Establishing a manufacturer’s limited beer, wine, and liquor permit in Frederick County that authorizes the holder to allow a licensed caterer or other contracted party to provide sealed beer, wine, and liquor products not manufactured by the holder during private events for on–premises consumption, subject to certain restrictions; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue a permit to holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses; and requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 588 **Frederick County Delegation**

Chapter 1006 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE LICENSE

Authorizing the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners to issue a municipal golf course license to an official of the City of Frederick designated by the Mayor of the City of Frederick; and authorizing the Board to transfer the license to a different city official designated by the Mayor under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 560 **Frederick County Senators**

Chapter 1007 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE LICENSE

Authorizing the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners to issue a municipal golf course license to an official of the City of Frederick designated by the Mayor of the City of Frederick; and authorizing the Board to transfer the license to a different city official designated by the Mayor under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 621 **Harford County Delegation**

Chapter 1008 HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – STADIUM
LICENSE ANNUAL FEE

Reducing the annual fee for a stadium beer, wine, and liquor license in Harford County from \$10,000 to \$7,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 632 **Harford County Delegation**

Chapter 1009 HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES –
GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a Class GSF (golf simulator facility) license to a golf simulator facility under certain circumstances; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises consumption under certain circumstances; requiring the license holder to submit an annual gross sales report to the Board before a license may be renewed; and establishing an annual license fee of \$1,500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 736 Harford County Senators

Chapter 1010

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – GOLF SIMULATOR FACILITY

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a Class GSF (golf simulator facility) license to a golf simulator facility under certain circumstances; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption under certain circumstances; requiring the license holder to submit an annual gross sales report to the Board before a license may be renewed; and establishing an annual license fee of \$1,500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 635 Harford County Delegation

Chapter 1011

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PERFORMING ARTS NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION LICENSE

Establishing in Harford County a performing arts nonprofit organization beer, wine, and liquor license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption at up to three locations designated at the time of application; requiring the holder of the license to comply with certain record–keeping and reporting requirements; establishing an annual license fee of \$750; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 734 Harford County Senators

Chapter 1012

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PERFORMING ARTS NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION LICENSE

Establishing in Harford County a performing arts nonprofit organization license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer, wine, and liquor at certain locations for on–premises consumption; requiring the holder of the license to comply with certain record–keeping and reporting requirements; and establishing an annual license fee of \$750 for the license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 651 St. Mary's County Delegation

Chapter 1013 ST. MARY'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER,
WINE, AND LIQUOR TASTING PERMIT

Establishing a beer, wine, and liquor tasting permit in St. Mary's County; authorizing the Board to issue the permit only to a holder of a Class A license; authorizing the holder to allow the on-premises consumption of beer, wine, and liquor for tasting purposes only; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 654 St. Mary's County Delegation

Chapter 1014 ST. MARY'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – NONPROFIT
PERFORMING ARTS THEATER LICENSE

Establishing in St. Mary's County a performing arts theater beer and wine license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer and wine in certain performing arts theaters at retail for on-premises consumption; and establishing an annual license fee of \$300.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 733 Baltimore City Delegation

Chapter 1015 BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSING
FEES

Increasing certain licensing fees for alcoholic beverages in Baltimore City.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 895 Senator Carter (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

Chapter 1016 BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSING
FEES

Altering certain licensing fees for alcoholic beverages in Baltimore City.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 742 Frederick County Delegation

Chapter 1017 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – STADIUM LICENSE

Authorizing the holder of a stadium license in Frederick County to sell liquor for on–premises consumption in addition to beer and wine; and increasing the annual license fee for a stadium license in the county from \$2,000 to \$2,500.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SB 770 Frederick County Senators

Chapter 1018 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – STADIUM LICENSE

Authorizing the holder of a stadium license in Frederick County to sell liquor for on–premises consumption in addition to beer and wine; and increasing the annual license fee for a stadium license in the county from \$2,000 to \$2,500.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HB 743 Frederick County Delegation

Chapter 1019 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PROMOTER’S PERMIT

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue a promoter’s permit to a certain for–profit organization under certain circumstances; authorizing a permit holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor at an event; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 767 Frederick County Senators

Chapter 1020 FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PROMOTER’S PERMIT

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue a promoter’s permit to a certain for–profit organization under certain circumstances; prohibiting a permit holder from holding an alcoholic beverages license; authorizing a permit holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor at an event; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 762 **Montgomery County Delegation**

Chapter 1021 MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS
B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE – OFF-PREMISES
CONSUMPTION MC 9–24

Authorizing the holder of a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in Montgomery County to sell beer and wine in sealed containers with the manufacturer’s original seal for off-premises consumption under certain circumstances; and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Montgomery County to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 817 **Prince George’s County Delegation**

Chapter 1022 PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
ISSUANCE OF LICENSE NEAR A PLACE OF WORSHIP OR
SCHOOL PG 307–24

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George’s County to issue an alcoholic beverages license for an establishment that is within 500 feet of a place of worship or 1,000 feet of a school building if a license of the same class had been issued and was held by the same person seeking the new license and was in effect for the establishment before the place of worship or school building was built.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 66 **Senator Rosapepe**

Chapter 1023 PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
ISSUANCE OF LICENSE NEAR A PLACE OF WORSHIP OR
SCHOOL

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George’s County to issue an alcoholic beverages license for an establishment that is within 500 feet of a place of worship or 1,000 feet of a school building if a license of the same class had been issued and was held by the same person seeking the new license and was in effect for the establishment before the place of worship or school building was built.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 920 **Washington County Delegation**

Chapter 1024 WASHINGTON COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
MULTI–USE SPORTS AND EVENTS FACILITY BEER, WINE,
AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Altering the stadium beer and wine license in Washington County to be a multi–use sports and events facility beer, wine, and liquor license; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption in the multi–use sports and events facility; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 853 **Washington County Senators**

Chapter 1025 WASHINGTON COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
MULTI–USE SPORTS AND EVENTS FACILITY BEER, WINE,
AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Altering the stadium beer and wine license in Washington County to be a multi–use sports and events facility beer, wine, and liquor license; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption in the multi–use sports and events facility; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1052 **Delegate Clippinger, et al**

Chapter 1026 BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 46TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – REVISIONS

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a total of 10 new Class B–D–7 licenses and a total of 2 new Class A–7 licenses within a certain bounded area; providing that, in the 46th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City, a certain license may be issued and an existing license may be moved to a building that is within 300 feet of a place of worship or school under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Board from authorizing a license to a recipient of a certain State grant; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1100 **Senator Ferguson**

Chapter 1027 **BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 46TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – REVISIONS**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a total of 10 new Class B–D–7 licenses and a total of 2 new Class A–7 licenses within a certain bounded area; providing that, in the 46th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City, a certain license may be issued and an existing license may be moved to a building that is within 300 feet of a place of worship or school under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Board from authorizing a license for a recipient of a certain State grant; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1089 **Delegate Clippinger (By Request – Baltimore City
Chapter 1028 Administration)**

**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER,
WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area; and establishing the requirements for a holder of the license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 904 **Senator Hayes**

Chapter 1029 **BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER,
WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in ward 4, precincts 1 and 2; and establishing the requirements for a holder of the license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1118 Harford County Delegation

Chapter 1030

**HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
PERFORMING ARTS THEATER LICENSE**

Altering eligibility for a performing arts theater license in Harford County by altering the definition of “performing arts theater” and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the license to a certain for-profit theater, rather than a nonprofit theater; authorizing the holder of the license to sell liquor for on-premises consumption in addition to beer and wine; and altering the license fee from \$500 to \$1,500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 933 Harford County Senators

Chapter 1031

**HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
PERFORMING ARTS THEATER LICENSE**

Altering eligibility for a performing arts theater license in Harford County by altering the definition of “performing arts theater” and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the license to a certain for-profit theater, rather than a nonprofit theater; authorizing the holder of the license to sell liquor for on-premises consumption in addition to beer and wine; and altering the license fee from \$500 to \$1,500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1198 Delegate Amprey

Chapter 1032

**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 40TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – REVISIONS**

Establishing a Class M-F (Municipal Family Fun Center) alcoholic beverages license in the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license to a restaurant in a certain location; and authorizing a certain Class A license issued for a certain location to remain unexpired until the end of July 1, 2025, for the purpose of renewal.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1008 **Senator Hayes**

Chapter 1033 BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 40TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – REVISIONS

Establishing a Class M–F (Municipal Family Fun Center) alcoholic beverages license in the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license to a restaurant in a certain location; and authorizing a certain Class A license issued for a certain location to remain unexpired until the end of July 1, 2025, for the purpose of renewal.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1205 **Allegany County Delegation**

Chapter 1034 ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS
BWLTL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR TASTING PERMIT

Authorizing a Class BWLTL beer, wine, and liquor tasting permit to be issued by the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1235 **Delegates Addison and Young**

Chapter 1035 BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE
EXTENSIONS

Extending until July 1, 2025, the expiration date of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore City that are issued for certain areas for certain transferal and renewal purposes under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1079 **Senator McCray**

Chapter 1036 BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE
EXTENSIONS

Extending until July 1, 2025, the expiration dates of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore City that are issued for certain areas for certain transfer and renewal purposes under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1269 **Baltimore County Delegation**

Chapter 1037 BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE APPLICATIONS – NOTICE

Altering a certain notice requirement before the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County may approve an application for an alcoholic beverages license; and authorizing the Board to fulfill the notice requirement by posting online notice of an application hearing for an alcoholic beverages license at least 14 days before the application hearing date.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1330 **Allegheny County Delegation**

Chapter 1038 ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – UNDERAGE EMPLOYEES

Lowering, from 18 to 16 years of age, the minimum age of an individual that may be employed by a license holder in Allegheny County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1341 **Delegate Anderton**

Chapter 1039 WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES – PURCHASES FROM LICENSED WHOLESALERS AND SELF-DISTRIBUTION

Authorizing a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder to purchase liquor for retail sale from a licensed wholesaler; and authorizing a Class B beer, wine, and liquor restaurant license holder that has been issued a Class 9 limited distillery license to sell certain products manufactured under the distillery license in a manner consistent with the underlying Class B license for on- and off-premises consumption.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 941 **Senator Mautz**

Chapter 1040

WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES – PURCHASES FROM LICENSED WHOLESALERS AND SELF-DISTRIBUTION

Authorizing a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder to purchase liquor for retail sale from a licensed wholesaler; and authorizing a Class B beer, wine, and liquor restaurant license holder that has been issued a Class 9 limited distillery license to sell certain products manufactured under the distillery license in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HB 1377 **Delegate Pippy**

Chapter 1041

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERY AND DISTILLERY LICENSES

Establishing in Frederick County a Class DBR brewery license and a Class DDS distillery permit; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue to the holder of a certain brewery license a Class DBR license to sell certain amounts of beer for on-premises consumption; authorizing the Board to issue to the holder of a certain distillery license a Class DDS permit to sell certain amounts of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 22 **Senator Hayes**

Chapter 1042

BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

Requiring the Governor, rather than the Mayor and the President of the City Council of Baltimore City, to appoint the members of the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City with the advice and consent of the Senate; authorizing the Governor, rather than the Mayor and the President of the City Council of Baltimore City, to remove a member of the Board for certain infractions; requiring certain members of the Board to be residents of the City or to have served in City government for a minimum of 5 years immediately preceding the appointment; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 51 **Senator Rosapepe**

Chapter 1043 **PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
LICENSE RENEWAL**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County to extend the deadline by which a holder of an alcoholic beverages license must file an application for renewal; and extending the expiration date for certain licenses issued by the Board to July 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 428 **Senator McKay**

Chapter 1044 **GARRETT COUNTY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2024**

Establishing a resort beer license, a resort beer and wine license, and a beer, wine, and liquor festival license in Garrett County; altering the hours of sale for alcoholic beverages on Sundays for certain licenses; altering the residency requirements for certain applicants for an alcoholic beverages license in the county to require that at least one of the applicants be a resident of the State; prohibiting alcoholic beverages from being brought into places of adult entertainment and consumed or transferred; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 964 **Senator Ready**

Chapter 1045 **CARROLL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES –
ALCOHOL AWARENESS TRAINING**

Requiring the holder of a Class B or Class D alcoholic beverages license in Carroll County or an individual designated by the license holder who has completed training in an approved alcohol awareness program to be present on the licensed premises at certain times when alcoholic beverages may be sold; providing for certain penalties; and requiring at least one license holder to maintain alcohol awareness program certification while listed on the license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1010 **Senator Klausmeier**

Chapter 1046 BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
INDIVIDUAL STORAGE PERMITS

Requiring an alcoholic beverages retailer in Baltimore County to have written approval from the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County before applying to the Executive Director of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission for an individual storage permit for alcoholic beverages.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SB 1184 **Senator Rosapepe**

Chapter 1047 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
COLLEGE ATHLETIC EVENT VENUE CONCESSIONAIRE BEER,
WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Establishing a Class B–CAEVC (College Athletic Event Venue Concessionaire) beer, wine, and liquor license in Prince George's County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Prince George's County to issue the license to a certain concessionaire; authorizing beer, wine, and liquor purchased under the license to be consumed in certain areas; and providing for the hours and days of sale and an annual license fee of \$3,500 to be paid to the Board on or before May 1.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Sincerely,

Victoria L. Gruber
Executive Director