



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2024 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 17, 2024
Schedule 4

PLEASE NOTE: HB351 and HB352 will appear on a future synopsis
January 19 – Bill request deadline.
February 9 – Bill introduction deadline.
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 8.
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 17, 2024

HB 329 Delegates Grammer and Simmons

PUBLIC SAFETY – HANDGUN PERMITS – EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL PERIODS FOR RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Establishing alternative expiration and renewal periods for a handgun permit issued to a certain retired law enforcement officer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 5-309 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

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HB 330 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**COURTS – STRATEGIC LAWSUITS AGAINST PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Altering the conditions under which a lawsuit is considered a strategic lawsuit against public participation (SLAPP suit); altering the conditions under which a defendant in a SLAPP suit is not civilly liable for certain communications; establishing certain standards and requirements relating to a motion to dismiss an alleged SLAPP suit; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-807 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 331 Delegate Guyton, et al**ELECTION LAW – CANDIDATE EXPENDITURES – CAMPAIGN-RELATED CHILD CARE EXPENSES**

Altering the definition of “expenditure” to include reasonable expenses for child care services that a candidate incurs as a direct result of campaign activity and that are necessary to promote the candidacy of the candidate.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

EL, § 1-101(l-2) - added and § 1-101(aa) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 332 Delegate Addison, et al**BALTIMORE CITY – OUT-OF-STATE VEHICLES – IMPROPER REGISTRATION**

Authorizing Baltimore City to tow, remove, or impound a vehicle owned by a new resident of the State who fails to register the vehicle with the Motor Vehicle Administration and display valid registration plates issued by the Administration within 60 days.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 26-301(b-1) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 333 Delegates Rosenberg and Wilkins**ELECTION LAW – ELECTION DISINFORMATION ON LARGE SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS AND INFLUENCE RELATED TO VOTING**

Requiring each large social media platform of more than 1,000,000 monthly active users in the United States to make reasonable efforts to prevent, detect, and remove accounts and posts that communicate election disinformation in the State; requiring a large social media platform to report election disinformation by providing certain information to the State Board of Elections within 48 hours after the large social media platform becomes aware of an account or a post that communicates election disinformation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

EL, § 13-405.3 - added and § 16-201 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 334 Delegate Solomon, et al**HIGHER EDUCATION – MPOWERING JOINT STEERING COUNCIL – FUNDING**

Requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2026, to include in the annual budget bill a certain appropriation for the MPowering Joint Steering Council to use exclusively on the University of Maryland Institute for Health Computing; and requiring the amount of the appropriation to increase each fiscal year, up to \$6,000,000 in fiscal year 2029 and each fiscal year thereafter.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 12-304 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 335 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

AB, §§ 12-2004(c) and 12-2005(c) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 336 Delegate Forbes, et al**MARYLAND ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE) PROGRAM – MATERIALS FOR INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM MEETINGS**

Requiring a local school system to provide to parents at certain individualized education program meetings for children with disabilities certain written informational materials regarding the Maryland ABLE Program in a certain manner; requiring the State Treasurer to develop informational materials about the Maryland ABLE Program that may be distributed electronically or by hand; and requiring the State Treasurer to provide informational materials to the State Board of Education and county boards of education.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 8-405(b)(2) and (3) and 18-19C-03(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 337 Delegate Love, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – BIKE LANES AND SHOULDERS – YIELDING RIGHT-OF-WAY (SARAH DEBBINK LANGENKAMP MEMORIAL ACT)**

Prohibiting a person from committing a violation that contributes to a crash of a certain provision of law governing the right-of-way of a bicycle, a motor scooter, or an electronic personal assistive mobility device lawfully in a designated bike lane or shoulder; and providing that a person convicted of a violation of the Act is subject to imprisonment of up to 2 months or a fine not to exceed \$2,000 or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-1209 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 338 Delegate Moon, et al**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 under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to develop and administer a training program regarding the use of facial recognition technology in the course of criminal investigations by June 30, 2026; requiring a law enforcement agency using or contracting to use facial recognition technology to prepare and publish a certain annual report by February 1; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, §§ 2-501 through 2-510 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 339 Delegate Vogel, et al**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – DISQUALIFICATION – STOPPAGE OF WORK CAUSED BY LABOR DISPUTE**

Establishing that the disqualification from receiving unemployment insurance benefits due to a stoppage of work does not apply for any week beginning after the first 14 days of an individual's unemployment resulting from the stoppage of work that exists because of a labor dispute at the premises where the individual was last employed.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 8-1004 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 340 Delegates Cullison and White Holland

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD – AUTHORITY FOR UPPER PAYMENT LIMITS AND FUNDING (THE LOWERING PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS FOR ALL MARYLANDERS NOW ACT)

Requiring the Governor in fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$1,000,000 for the Prescription Drug Affordability Fund which provides funding for the Board; and requiring the Board, under certain circumstances, to establish a process for setting upper payment limits for all purchases and payor reimbursements of prescription drug products in the State that the Board determines have led or will lead to affordability challenges.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 21-2C-11 - amended, § 21-2C-16 - repealed, and § 21-2C-16 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 341 Delegate Solomon

HIGHER EDUCATION – COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT – NON-STATE-SUPPORTED EMPLOYEES

Requiring the State to provide to non-State-supported employees of the University System of Maryland, Morgan State University, and St. Mary's College of Maryland 100% of the cost-of-living adjustment the State provides to State employees.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 12-105(h) and 14-111 - added and § 14-405(b)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 342 Delegate Bagnall

STATE PROCUREMENT – PROMPT PAYMENT OF SUPPLIERS

Providing that certain provisions requiring prompt payments for State procurement contracts apply to payments owed by a contractor or subcontractor to a supplier.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, § 15-226 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 343 Delegate Munoz

ENVIRONMENT – COX CREEK CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – MEMBERSHIP

Altering the membership of the Cox Creek Citizens Oversight Committee.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 5-1102.1 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 344 Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al

TRANSPORTATION – VISION ZERO ADVISORY COMMISSION – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Vision Zero Advisory Commission to develop strategies to reach a goal of zero vehicle-related deaths or serious injuries by making roadways safer for drivers and passengers of motor vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians; requiring the Commission to advise the Department on best practices intended to eliminate deaths and serious injuries on roadways; and requiring the Department to report to the Governor and General Assembly by December 31 each year on the status of Vision Zero and the recommendations of the Commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 8-1007 - amended and § 8-1008 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 345 Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al

FISH AND WILDLIFE – ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES – DEFINITIONS, PETITIONS, AND REGULATIONS

Requiring certain petitions to review the listing or unlisting of endangered or threatened species to contain certain information regarding the distribution, life and habitat needs of the species and relevant information about the status of a species; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to review and, if warranted, update certain regulations listing endangered or threatened species on or before July 1, 2026, and every 5 years thereafter; and altering the definitions of “fish” and “wildlife” for certain purposes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, §§ 4-101(j), 4-2A-01, 4-2A-04(f), 4-2A-05(a), 10-101(dd), 10-2A-04, and 10-2A-05 - amended and § 10-2A-01(m) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 346 Delegates Moon and Clippinger**CRIMINAL LAW – CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES AND FIREARMS**

Authorizing a person who is at least 21 years age to manufacture a personal use amount of cannabis products or concentrated cannabis for personal use or adult sharing at a private residence if the manufacturing process does not involve the use of a volatile solvent; specifying that manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, or possessing certain large quantities of certain controlled dangerous substances is a felony; altering the penalties for being a volume dealer and drug kingpin with regard to cannabis; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, §§ 5-603, 5-612, and 5-613 and PS, §§ 5-138,5-140, 5-406, and 5-703 - amended and CR, §§ 5-612.1 and 5-613.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 347 Delegates Palakovich Carr and Griffith**GENERAL ASSEMBLY VACANCY – POLITICAL PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEES – PROCEDURES**

Establishing requirements for the filling of a vacancy in the office of Senator or Delegate in the General Assembly by a central committee of a political party under the Maryland Constitution relating to applications, public notice, public meetings, and voting; and requiring a member of the central committee who has applied to fill the vacancy to recuse themselves from voting on the individual to fill the vacancy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EL, § 4-206 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 348 Delegate Smith**UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE – SCHAEFER CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY – FUNDING**

Requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2025, to include an appropriation of \$1,900,000 in the annual budget bill for the Schaefer Center for Public Policy at the University of Baltimore.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 12-124 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 349 Delegate Cullison

DEPARTMENT OF AGING – LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE – STUDY

Requiring the Department of Aging to contract with an independent consultant to complete an insurance study on public and private options for leveraging resources to help individuals prepare for long-term care services and support needs; and requiring the Department to submit an interim report by December 31, 2024 summarizing the progress of the study and a final report by December 31, 2025 to the Governor and General Assembly on the results of the study.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 350 The Speaker (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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 353 Delegate Cullison

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 OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 24-1201 through 24-1204 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 354 Delegate Cullison**MARYLAND PATHWAY TO NURSING PROGRAM AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Maryland Pathway to Nursing Program in the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the Secretary to establish a pilot program at community colleges in at least two geographically diverse areas in the State that offer licensed practical nursing programs before implementing the Program statewide; requiring an annual report by to the Governor and the General Assembly on implementation of the Program; and establishing the Maryland Pathway to Nursing Advisory Committee to assist in the development of the Program.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HG, §§ 13-5201 through 13-5203 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 355 Delegate Cullison**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIVES – PREVIOUS CESAREAN SECTION**

Allowing a licensed direct-entry midwife to assume or take responsibility for a client who had a previous cesarean section and regulating the circumstances under which the responsibility may be assumed or taken; altering the required contents of a certain informed consent agreement; and requiring the State Board of Nursing, in consultation with certain stakeholders, to develop a transport protocol for clients who had a previous cesarean section.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, §§ 8-6C-03(11), 8-6C-04(a)(20) and (21), and 8-6C-09 - amended and § 8-6C-04(a)(22) and (e) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 356 Delegate Moon, et al**SCHOOL BUS STOPS – MONITORING CAMERAS AND SAFETY MEASURES**

Requiring a law enforcement agency, under certain circumstances, to issue a warning rather than a citation for a failure to stop for a school vehicle that is recorded by a school bus monitoring camera; and requiring the State Highway Administration to develop a certain plan for improved safety measures at certain school bus stops in Montgomery County and to report its findings on or before December 31, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TR, § 21.706.1(e) and (f)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 357 Delegate Terrasa, et al**AGRICULTURE – CONFINEMENT OF EGG-LAYING HENS IN COMMERCIAL EGG PRODUCTION – PROHIBITIONS**

Prohibiting a certain farm owner or operator from knowingly confining egg-laying hens in an enclosure in a certain manner, subject to certain exceptions, on and after January 1, 2026; prohibiting a business owner or operator or a farm owner or operator from selling shell eggs or egg products under certain circumstances on and after January 1, 2026; and specifying that a certain certification be obtained in a certain manner to sell shell eggs and egg products.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

AG, §§ 3-1101 through 3-1107 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 358 Prince George's County Delegation**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 General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 359 **Delegate J. Long, et al****PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP OF THE PROPERTY OF ALLEGED DISABLED PERSON – STAY OF CIVIL ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS**

Requiring an automatic stay of certain civil actions or proceedings on the filing of a petition for guardianship of the property of an alleged disabled person; and requiring, to effectuate service of process for certain civil actions against an alleged disabled person, the temporary or permanent guardian of the property of the disabled person to be served.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ET, § 13-223 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 360 **Prince George’s County Delegation****PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – RETAIL SERVICE STATION DEALERS – FUEL SERVICE PG 410–24**

Requiring a retail service station dealer in Prince George’s County to provide fuel service upon request to an individual between 6:00 a.m. and midnight.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, § 10-320 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 361 **Delegate Jackson****PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR COMMUNITY SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS – LIMITATION ON GENERATING CAPACITY – ALTERATION**

Increasing, from 2 megawatts to 5 megawatts, the limitation on the generating capacity for certain community solar energy generating systems that are exempt from personal property taxes.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, § 7-237(c) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 362 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

AB, §§ 15-1001 and 15-1001.1 - renumbered and § 15-1001 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 363 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 (BWL) 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

AB, § 15-1304 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 364 Prince George’s County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MONITORING SYSTEMS – AUTHORIZATION PG 301–24**

Authorizing the use of traffic control device monitoring systems in Prince George’s County by State and local agencies, if authorized by local law; providing that the owner or driver of a motor vehicle recorded failing to obey a traffic control device is subject to a citation and a certain civil penalty under certain circumstances; establishing certain defenses to a charge of an alleged violation recorded by a traffic control device monitoring system; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, §§ 4-401(13), 7-302(e)(1) through (3) and (4)(i), and 10-311 - amended and TR, § 21-201.1 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 365 Delegate Ghrist, et al**SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – LOCAL COST–SHARE – ALTERATIONS**

Adding an adjustment for the local cost–share for school construction projections for certain counties under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 5-303(k) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 366 Delegate Smith**RESTRICTIONS ON USE – SOLAR COLLECTOR SYSTEMS – ALTERATION**

Prohibiting a restriction on land use that increases the cost of installing a solar collector system by at least 5% over a certain cost or that reduces the efficiency of the system by at least 10% under a certain energy generation level; authorizing a community association to impose certain restrictions on the installation of solar collector systems in common areas or common elements; authorizing a community association to install a solar collector system in common areas or common elements under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 2-119 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 367 Delegate Smith, et al**COMMUNITY COLLEGES – CONTRACEPTION – ACCESS REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring on or before October 1, 2024, each community college to develop and implement a plan to provide students with access to over–the–counter contraception; requiring each community college to submit a certain report to the Maryland Higher Education Commission on or before a July 1 each year; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a September 1 each year; and authorizing the Maryland Department of Health, on request, to provide certain assistance to a community college.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 16-111 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Health and Government Operations

HB 368 Delegate Cullison**HUMAN RELATIONS – DISCRIMINATION BY A PLACE OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION**

Authorizing certain persons or the Commission on Civil Rights to elect to have the claims asserted in a complaint alleging discrimination by a place of public accommodation determined in a civil action brought by the Commission; expanding the remedies available for certain discrimination; clarifying the remedies available for an unlawful employment practice; authorizing a complainant alleging certain discrimination to bring a civil action under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, §§ 20-1001, 20-1006(b), 20-1007(a) and (b), 20-1009, 20-1012(a) and (b), 20-1013, and 20-1016(a) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 369 Delegate Vogel**INCOME TAX – SENIOR TAX CREDIT – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the calculation of a certain credit against the State income tax for certain residents who are at least 65 years old.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-754 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 370 Delegate Vogel**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – STUDY ON THE EFFECTS OF AND PREPAREDNESS FOR LONG COVID–19**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Labor and the Department of Human Services, to conduct a study on the preparedness of health facilities in the State to respond to viral illnesses and the effects of post–viral illnesses resulting from long COVID–19; and requiring the Department, on or before July 1, 2025, to report its finding and recommendations to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 371 Delegate Grossman**ELECTION LAW – RECOUNTS – PROCEDURES**

Requiring a petitioner for a recount to select the method for conducting the recount; limiting the methods from which the selection must be made; and requiring a local board of elections to preserve and store certain voter-verifiable paper records in a certain manner and count duplicate ballots in a manual recount after a certain review.

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, § 12-108 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 372 Delegates Harris and Stewart**MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – RENT COURT WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Rent Court Workforce Solutions Pilot Program in Montgomery County and Prince George’s County to provide residential tenants who are facing eviction for a failure to pay rent with information on workforce development and employment opportunities; and requiring by January 1, 2026 and each January 1 thereafter, a designated organization to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the number of individuals that were connected to workforce development programs or employment opportunities through the Program.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

RP, §§ 8-1001 through 8-1006 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 373 Delegate Vogel**ELECTION LAW – VOTING AGE – BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS**

Authorizing the General Assembly to provide by suitable enactment the authority of a county to lower the age at which an individual may vote in an election for members of an elected county board of education; authorizing a county to enact a local law that allows an individual who is at least 16 years of age to vote in an election for members of an elected county board of education; submitting the amendment to the Maryland Constitution to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. I, § 1 and EL, § 3-102 - amended and Maryland Constitution, Art. I, § 1A and EL, § 3-102.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 374 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CIGAR LOUNGE LICENSE PG 303–24**

Establishing a Class B–CL (cigar lounge) beer, wine, and liquor license in Prince George's County; excluding the license from certain distance restrictions; excluding a certain business that operates in the county under the license from the requirements of the Clean Indoor Air Act; and providing an annual license fee of \$900.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 26-1001.1 - added and § 26-1604 - amended and HG, § 24-505(3) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 375 Delegate Korman, et al**PORT OF BALTIMORE – RENAMING**

Renaming the Port of Baltimore to be the Helen Delich Bentley Port of Baltimore.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 6-102.1(a)(5), 6-403(a), 6-405(a), 24-106.1(e)(1)(vi), and 24-113.1(c) and BOP, § 11-202(a)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 376 Prince George's County Delegation

STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF RELOCATING THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM HEADQUARTERS PG 501-24

Requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to hire an independent consultant to study and make recommendations on the feasibility of relocating the Prince George's County public school system headquarters and to report its recommendations by December 31, 2024; and requiring the Prince George's County Council to cover the cost of the study.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 377 Delegate Mireku-North, et al

THERAPEUTIC CHILD CARE GRANT PROGRAM – FUNDING – ALTERATIONS

Altering the fiscal years, to begin in fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, during which the Governor is required to include in the annual budget bill a certain appropriation to the Therapeutic Child Care Grant Program.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 8-420(d) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 378 Delegate Guzzone

STATE BOARD OF DIETETIC PRACTICE – DIETICIAN-NUTRITIONISTS – LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Requiring that an individual shall have received a master's degree rather than a baccalaureate degree to be licensed as a dietician-nutritionist.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HO, §§ 5-101(c), 5-302, and 5-305 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 379 Delegate Love, et al**WILDLIFE – TRAVELING ANIMAL ACTS – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a person from allowing for the participation of a bear, a cougar, an elephant, a jaguar, a leopard, excluding a clouded leopard, a lion, a nonhuman primate, a tiger, or a hybrid of any of these animals in a traveling animal act; and providing a civil penalty of \$2,000 per violation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, §§ 10-2C-01 and 10-2C-02 - added and § 10-1101(e) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 380 Delegate Solomon, et al**STATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD – LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES – APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Prohibiting the State Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board from requiring an applicant to provide proof that the applicant is lawfully present in the United States or have a Social Security number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number as a condition for licensure or certification; and requiring the EMS Board to require applicants for a license or certificate to disclose certain information or provide alternative documentation and record the information in the applicant's file for a certain purpose.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, § 13-516(c) and FL, § 10-119.3(b) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 381 Delegate Hill**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS**

Requiring an applicant for a license to practice optometry or 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 disseminated, and is to be used only for licensing purposes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, §§ 11-302, 11-303, 11-306, 11-307.1, and 11-308 - amended and § 11-302.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 382 Delegate Schmidt, et al**CRIMINAL AND CIVIL TRESPASS – PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS – EXCEPTION**

Establishing exceptions to certain criminal prohibitions against trespass on property and the civil tort of trespass for professional land surveyors, and agents and employees of professional land surveyors, who enter the property of another to practice land surveying.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-427 and CR, § 6-412 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 383 Delegates Smith and Shetty**COSMETOLOGY LICENSURE COMPACT**

Entering into the Cosmetology Licensure Compact; establishing criteria for participating states; authorizing an individual practicing cosmetology to practice in a party state under certain circumstances; establishing the Cosmetology Licensure Compact Commission and its duties and powers; and providing for the amendment of and withdrawal from the Compact.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BOP, § 5-6A-01 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 384 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS – SALE OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY PG 403–24**

Requiring the Prince George's County Department of Housing and Community Development to notify and consider comments from the board of directors of a certain business improvement district corporation before the sale of certain commercial property; and providing that a certain district corporation has the preemptive right to the purchase of certain commercial property under certain circumstances.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, § 25-404 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 385 Delegate J. Long, et al**WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION – PAY STUBS AND PAY STATEMENTS – REQUIRED INFORMATION**

Requiring that the statement regarding earnings required to be provided to employees by employers be written on the physical pay stub or online pay statement and include the employer's name, the dates of work covered by the pay period, the number of hours worked, the rates of pay, the gross and net pay earned, the amount and purpose of all deductions, a description of the information used by the employer to calculate the employees gross and net pay, and for each employee paid at a piece rate, the applicable rate and number of pieces.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 3-504 - amended and § 3-507.3 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 386 Delegate Feldmark**MARYLAND MEALS FOR ACHIEVEMENT IN-CLASSROOM BREAKFAST PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS (MARYLAND MEALS FOR ACHIEVEMENT FLEXIBILITY ACT OF 2024)**

Clarifying that secondary schools participating in the Maryland Meals for Achievement In-Classroom Breakfast Program may serve breakfast in any broadly accessible part of the school; and authorizing elementary schools participating in the Program, subject to certain approval and allowances, to serve breakfast in any broadly accessible part of the school, including from "Grab and Go" carts.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-704 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 387 Baltimore City Delegation**PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – SURVEILLANCE IMAGES – ILLEGAL DUMPING IN BALTIMORE CITY**

Repealing a certain provision of law requiring a custodian to deny inspection of certain surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City except under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

GP, § 4-322 - repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 388 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – LAW ENFORCEMENT – SOUND LEVEL METERS PG 305–24

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to develop and publish online a policy for the issuance and use of a sound level meter for measuring the intensity of noise and other sounds by a law enforcement officer that addresses certain matters; requiring the Prince George's County Police Department to require the use of sound level meters, subject to a certain policy, by certain law enforcement officers on or before January 1, 2025; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, §§ 3-531 and 3-532 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Health and Government Operations

HB 389 Delegate Healey, et al

STATE HIGHWAYS – SIDEWALKS AND BICYCLE PATHWAYS – MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Repealing a requirement that a political subdivision maintain and repair certain sidewalks constructed by any developer of an industrial, commercial, or apartment area along a highway maintained by the State Highway Administration; and repealing a requirement that a political subdivision maintain and repair sidewalks and bicycle pathways constructed or reconstructed as part of the construction or reconstruction of an urban highway or in response to the request of a local government.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 8-629(c) - repealed and § 8-630(c)(6) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 390 Delegate Henson

COMMISSION ON AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE – MUSEUM NAME CHANGE

Altering the name of the museum operated by the Commission on African American History and Culture in certain provisions of law from the “Banneker–Douglass Museum” to the “Banneker–Douglass–Tubman Museum”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, §§ 9-3707 and 9-3708 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 391 Delegate T. Morgan, et al**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

CA, § 5-301(e) - amended and §§ 5-341 and 5-342 - added and Chapter 96 of the Acts of 1976 - repealed

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 392 Delegates Stewart and Young**EVIDENCE – WIRETAPPING AND ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE – FAIR HOUSING TESTING**

Providing that it is lawful for a person to intercept a wire, oral, or electronic communication if the person is working as a fair housing tester for a fair housing testing program operated by the federal government, the State, a local government, or a nonprofit civil rights organization under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, §§ 10-401(13) and 10-402(c)(12) - added and § 10-401(13) through (18) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 393 Delegate Bagnall**HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND DENT–CARE PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY**

Expanding eligibility for the Maryland Dent–Care Program to include part–time dentists and dental hygienists who are practicing under a general or limited license; and authorizing the Office of Student Financial Assistance within the Maryland Higher Education Commission, in collaboration with the Maryland Department of Health, to establish prorated loan repayment assistance for part–time dentists and dental hygienists.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 18-2404 and 18-2406 - amended and § 18-2405(c)(3) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations

HB 394 Delegate Guzzone, et al**HUMAN RELATIONS – COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS – APPEAL OF FINAL ORDERS**

Providing that a certain final order of the Commission on Civil Rights on a complaint alleging a discriminatory act is appealable in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 20-1005(d) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 395 Prince George’s County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM AND HIGH SCHOOL CHILD CARE CENTERS – ESTABLISHED PG 504–24**

Requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to require certain public high schools in the county to offer a certain CTE program in early childhood education beginning in the 2025–2026 school year; requiring the county board of education to establish child care centers in certain public high schools in the county beginning in the 2025–2026 school year; requiring the Governor, starting in fiscal year 2026, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to carry out the Act; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 4-406 and 9.5-5A-01 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

HB 396 Prince George’s County Delegation**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

LG, § 20-604(e) - amended and § 20-604(f) - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 397 Delegate Charkoudian

PUBLIC UTILITIES – THERMAL ENERGY NETWORK SYSTEMS – AUTHORIZATION AND ESTABLISHMENT (WORKING FOR ACCESSIBLE RENEWABLE MARYLAND THERMAL HEAT (WARMTH) ACT)

Requiring each gas company to develop a plan for a pilot thermal energy network system or systems on or before October 1, 2024; requiring each gas company to submit a certain proposal or proposals to the Public Service Commission for approval on or before July 1, 2025; authorizing a municipal corporation, county, or community organization to submit neighborhoods to gas companies for consideration as part of a pilot system; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

PU, §§ 7-1001 through 7-1006 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 398 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SALES AND USE TAX ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES – USE OF REVENUE PG 406–24

Altering a certain provision of law relating to the use of certain revenue from the sales and use tax on telecommunications services in Prince George's County by allowing the revenue to be used to meet certain education funding requirements for the county.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LG, § 20-605(e)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 399 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – HIGH SCHOOL METAL DETECTOR PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED PG 302–24

Establishing the High School Metal Detector Program in the Prince George's County Public School System to install a metal detector in each public high school in the county; requiring the Prince George's County Superintendent of schools to coordinate the installation of metal detectors in each Prince George's County public high school by June 30, 2026; and requiring, for fiscal year 2025, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$100,000 for the Program.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Appropriations and Ways and Means

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED JANUARY 17, 2024**HJ 1 Delegate Patterson, et al****AFFIRMING THE FEDERAL EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT**

Urging the Administration of President Joseph R. Biden to publish the federal Equal Rights Amendment as the 28th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and for the U.S. Congress to affirm, by joint resolution, the Equal Rights Amendment as the 28th Amendment.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED JANUARY 16, 2024**HB 153 Delegates Rosenberg and Stein****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

HG, § 4-304(c)(5) - amended

Reassigned to: Health and Government Operations