



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2024 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 22, 2024
Schedule 6

PLEASE NOTE: 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 22, 2024

HB 435 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

CHILD SUPPORT – INCARCERATED OBLIGORS

Authorizing a court, if an obligor becomes incarcerated, to determine that a material change of circumstances warranting a modification of child support has occurred, provided that the party's ability to pay child support is sufficiently reduced due to the incarceration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FL, §§ 12-104, 12-104.1, and 12-204(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

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HB 436 Delegate Fair, et al**ELECTION LAW – VOTER REGISTRATION – AGE AND NOTIFICATION TO MINORS**

Altering, from 16 years old to 15 years and 9 months old, the age at which an individual may register to vote; requiring that a voter notification card sent to an individual under the age of 18 years include information regarding when the individual will be eligible to vote; and requiring the election director in the county where a registered voter under the age of 18 years becomes eligible to vote to send a notice that the voter is eligible to vote and information on the voting methods and locations available to the voter.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

EL, §§ 3-102 and 3-301 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 437 Delegates Wivell and Valentine**MARYLAND ZERO EMISSION ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE COUNCIL – MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the composition of the Maryland Zero Emission Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council to include a representative of an electric vehicle driver advocacy organization, a light-duty plug-in electric drive vehicle manufacturer, a heavy-duty plug-in electric drive vehicle manufacturer, a new vehicle dealer association in the State, the Secretary of General Services, and one additional member of the environmental community.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Chapters 400 and 401 of the Acts of 2011, § 1, as amended - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 438 Delegates Hornberger and D. Jones**FISHING LICENSES AND STAMPS – FEE EXEMPTIONS – RESIDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

Exempting residents who are eligible for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children, or Medicaid from the annual fee for angler's licenses, trout stamps, and Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing licenses.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, §§ 4-604(b) and (f), 4-614(c), and 4-745(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 439 Delegate Taylor

CRIMINAL LAW – FIRST-DEGREE ASSAULT – ASSAULT WITH A FIREARM

Adding a certain intent requirement to the elements of the crime of first degree assault, with regard to committing an assault with a firearm.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 3-202 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 440 Charles County Delegation

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF CARTS – COBB ISLAND

Establishing exceptions to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts on Cobb Island in Charles County; requiring an operator of a golf cart on a highway on Cobb Island without a certain registration to operate the golf cart only on a highway with a maximum posted speed limit of 30 miles per hour and between dawn and dusk; requiring the vehicle to be equipped with certain lighting devices and to be kept to the far right of the roadway; and requiring the operator to possess a valid driver's license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TR, § 13-402(c) - amended and § 21-104.7 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 441 Delegate Davis

CRIMINAL LAW – CANNABIS-RELATED OFFENSES – CIVIL PENALTIES

Substituting civil penalties in place of criminal penalties for certain offenses relating to possessing, possessing with the intent to distribute, and cultivating cannabis and manufacturing cannabis products.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 5-101(e-2) - repealed and §§ 5-601(c)(2) and (d), 5-601.1, 5-601.2, 5-602, and 5-607 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 442 Delegate Edelson

INHERITANCE TAX – EXEMPTIONS – MAXIMUM PROPERTY VALUE

Increasing the maximum value of property exempted from the inheritance tax from \$1,000 to \$25,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 7-203(g) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 443 Delegate Otto

SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS C VETERANS’ ORGANIZATION OR CLUB LICENSE

Authorizing the holder of a Class C (veterans’ organization or club) license in Somerset County to purchase alcoholic beverages from a retail dealer.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 29-1002 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 444 Delegate Otto

ENVIRONMENT – DUCK NEST BOXES – WETLANDS LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Exempting the installation and maintenance of certain duck nest boxes from certain wetlands license requirements; defining a “duck nest box” as a nesting structure located on or over water that is provided for the purpose of sheltering domesticated ducks; establishing that a duck nest box is not a nonwater-dependent project for the purpose of certain wetlands license requirements; and establishing that installing and maintaining duck nest boxes is a lawful use of private wetlands.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 16-101, 16-202(h), and 16-304 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 445 Delegate Simpson**MINORS CONVICTED AS ADULTS – SENTENCING – TRANSFER TO JUVENILE COURT**

Establishing a presumption that the sentencing of a minor convicted as an adult should be transferred to the juvenile court, under certain circumstances, and authorizing the court to do so; and requiring the juvenile court to make a juvenile determination under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 6-235 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 446 Delegate Roberson, et al**COURTS – JURY SERVICE – DISQUALIFICATION**

Providing that a person who has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment exceeding 1 year and is currently serving the sentence imposed for the conviction, including a term of parole or probation, or has been convicted of a crime involving or relating to perjury, witness intimidation, jury intimidation, or fraud or a related crime is not qualified for jury service.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 8-103 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 447 Delegate Ziegler, et al**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; and requiring by January 31 each year, each venison donation program that received certain donations to report to the Comptroller the name and address of donors intending to claim the tax credit and the number of deer donated by each donor claiming the credit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-746 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 448 Delegate Watson, et al**KOREAN AMERICAN DAY**

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim January 13 as Korean American Day; and requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to observe Korean American Day properly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

GP, §§ 7-401 through 7-420 - renumbered and § 7-401 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 449 Delegate Ivey, et al**COMPREHENSIVE FLOOD MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM – FUNDING FOR UNDERSERVED AND OVERBURDENED COMMUNITIES**

Requiring at least 40% of funding provided under the comprehensive flood management grant program to be used for projects located in or directly benefiting underserved or overburdened communities; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual State budget an appropriation of at least \$20,000,000 for the comprehensive flood management grant program in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EN, § 5-803(h) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 450 Delegate Martinez, et al**STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – SOCCER OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Soccer Opportunities Program in the State Department of Education to increase opportunities for minority students to participate in soccer in their communities; authorizing an agency or youth soccer nonprofit organization to apply for a grant from the Department in furtherance of the purpose of the Program; and requiring the Governor for fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include an appropriation of at least \$80,000 for the Program in the annual budget bill.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 2-305.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 451 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**TAX ASSISTANCE FOR LOW-INCOME MARYLANDERS – FUNDING**

Requiring the Comptroller, beginning in fiscal year 2026, 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 grant recipients to interact with the CASH Campaign on, at minimum, a quarterly basis each year for a certain purpose.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CL, § 17-317 and HU, § 6-801 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 452 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**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 within 5 business days after receipt of an allegation of an alleged violation of provisions of law governing individual tax preparers; granting certain employees of the Bureau certain powers, duties, and responsibilities for enforcing laws pertaining to income tax preparation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BOP, § 21-205(c) - added and BOP, §§ 21-206 and 21-401 and TG, §§ 1-207(f), 2-107(a)(2)(ii), 10-824, and 13-1004 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 453 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**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

TG, §§ 2-608.1 and 2-610(d) - repealed and §§ 2-609 and 10-753(b) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 454 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**DISCLOSURE OF TAX INFORMATION – TAX COMPLIANCE
ACTIVITY AND BINDING DATA USE AGREEMENTS**

Authorizing, subject to certain limitations, the disclosure of certain tax information to certain persons and governmental entities for the purpose of assisting the Comptroller in certain tax compliance efforts; requiring the Comptroller, when disclosing tax information in accordance with certain provisions of law, to require the party to whom the information is to be disclosed to enter a written, binding data use agreement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, §§ 13-203(c) and 13-1018 - amended and §§ 13-203(f) and 13-208 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 455 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**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; and altering certain requirements for electronic filing of returns for certain taxes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EN, §§ 9-228(g)(4) and 9-1605.2(e)(1) - amended and TG, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 456 Delegate Fair, et al**COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBERS – VOTING
RIGHTS AND PARTICIPATION IN EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

Providing that student members on certain county boards of education may vote on certain matters and may attend certain executive or special sessions under certain circumstances; and providing that student members of county boards of education have certain voting rights and may attend certain executive or special sessions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, Various Sections - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 457 Delegate Lehman, et al**ENVIRONMENT – SYNTHETIC TURF – CHAIN OF CUSTODY**

Requiring the Department of the Environment to establish a system to track the chain of custody of synthetic turf installed on sports and playing fields in the State; requiring the custodian of a synthetic turf sports or playing field installed in the State to report chain of custody information to the Department on or before January 1, 2025, or within 30 days after the completion of the installation, whichever is later; imposing an administrative penalty of up to \$5,000 for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 9-2601 through 9-2604 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 458 Delegate Phillips, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PROTECTION OF IDENTITY OF MINOR VICTIM**

Requiring, with a certain exception, a party or nonparty making a certain filing in a criminal or juvenile delinquency case to redact certain identifying information relating to a minor victim that appears in the filing; and authorizing the Supreme Court of Maryland to adopt rules to require or authorize a person making a redacted filing under the Act to also file an unredacted copy under seal.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 11-301 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 459 Delegate D. Jones**ELECTION ADMINISTRATION – STATE ADMINISTRATOR, LOCAL BOARDS, AND ELECTION DIRECTORS**

Requiring the State Board of Elections to evaluate the performance of the State Administrator of Elections; requiring the State Administrator to provide a performance evaluation of the election director of each local board of elections to the local board; requiring each local board to confer with the State Administrator in appointing an election director, maintain a warehouse, and provide for early voting center expenses; requiring, rather than authorizing, election directors to take certain actions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EL, §§ 2-102, 2-103, 2-202, 2-203, and 2-206 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 460 Delegate Martinez, et al

STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – DYNAMIC MESSAGE SIGN SYSTEM – MARYLAND’S HELPLINE

Requiring the State Highway Administration to provide the telephone number for Maryland’s Helpline to the public through the dynamic message sign system located throughout the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 8-103 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 461 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

HG, §§ 5-608.1(b)(1)(ii)3., 13-1601, and 15-109.1(c) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 462 Delegate Martinez, et al

FUNDING FOR WAGES AND BENEFITS FOR NURSING HOME WORKERS (NURSING HOME STAFFING CRISIS FUNDING ACT OF 2024)

Requiring that the Governor’s proposed budget for each of fiscal years 2026, 2027, and 2028, include an 8% reimbursement rate increase for providers of certain health care services under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, the Maryland Children’s Health Program, and the Community First Choice program; requiring nursing homes to submit by September 1 each year, beginning in 2026, a certain cost report to the Maryland Department of Health; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HG, § 16-201.4 - amended and § 16-209 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 463 Delegate Kerr**MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION – DEMOGRAPHIC DATA COLLECTION – PARENTAL STATUS**

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to collect certain data regarding the parental status of students from each public institution of higher education in the State; requiring public institutions of higher education to collect and report certain demographic data from students; and requiring the Commission to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by September 1, 2025, and each September 1 thereafter, a report summarizing the data collected.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 11-409 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 464 Delegate Martinez**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PRACTICE AUDIOLOGY – DEFINITION**

Altering the definition of “practice audiology” for the purposes of certain provisions of law governing the licensure and regulation of audiologists.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, § 2-101(q) - amended and § 2-101(r-1) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 465 Delegate Boafo, et al**WORKPLACE FRAUD AND PREVAILING WAGE – VIOLATIONS – PENALTIES AND REFERRALS**

Establishing certain criminal penalties for employers knowingly failing to properly classify individuals as employees and contractors and subcontractors knowingly violating State prevailing wage laws; and requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to refer to the Comptroller, certain State’s Attorneys, the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Labor, and the U.S. Department of the Treasury certain complaints that allege a violation of certain tax laws under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, §§ 3-909 and 3-910 - amended and SF, § 17-227 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 466 Delegate Ivey, et al

MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – FLOOD MITIGATION COMPREHENSIVE STUDY – MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY

Requiring the Maryland Emergency Management Agency, the Department of Transportation, and the Department of the Environment to study flooding in Montgomery County and Prince George’s County; requiring the study to include an analysis of historic flooding, an evaluation of existing and potential flood prevention and control measures, an examination of associated environmental issues, and the development of recommendations; and requiring a certain report be submitted by October 15, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 467 Delegate Boafu, et al

FOOD SERVICE FACILITIES AND TIPPED WORKERS – SERVICE FEES AND TIP CREDITS (ONE FAIR WAGE ACT OF 2024)

Establishing consumer protections related to service fees charged by restaurants; specifying a certain tip credit amount that is in effect for certain time periods; and prohibiting employers of tipped employees, beginning January 1, 2027, from including a tip credit amount as part of the employees’ wages.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) and LE, § 3-419 - amended and CL, §§ 13-301(14)(xlii) and 14-1328 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 468 Delegates Love and Boyce

COMMISSION TO ADVANCE LITHIUM-ION BATTERY SAFETY IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Commission to Advance Lithium-Ion Battery Safety in Maryland; requiring the Commission to make legislative, regulatory, programmatic and other recommendations by December 1, 2025 to the Governor and the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation

HB 469 Delegate Fair**EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION – EXCEPTIONS – RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES OF RELIGIOUS EMPLOYERS**

Specifying that the exception for religious employers to certain prohibitions against employment discrimination applies only to the religious activities of the employers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 20-604 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 470 Delegate Palakovich Carr**COUNTY INCOME TAX – RATE AND INCOME BRACKETS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering, subject to certain limitations, the maximum tax rate that a county may impose on an individual's Maryland taxable income; limiting the number of brackets that a county that imposes the county income tax on a bracket basis may set; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-106 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 471 Delegates Fair and Pruski**ELECTION LAW – POSTELECTION PROCEDURES**

Altering the records and documents that a board of canvassers is required to investigate under certain circumstances; altering the responsibilities of the State Board of Elections and the Board of State Canvassers regarding the certification of election results; authorizing the members of the Board of State Canvassers to appoint certain designees to serve on the Board of State Canvassers; and altering the responsibilities of the Governor regarding election results.

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, §§ 11-307, 11-501, 11-502, 11-503, and 11-601 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 472 Delegate Atterbeary, et al**EDUCATION – SCHOOL MAPPING DATA PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the School Mapping Data Program in the State Department of Education to provide funds to county Boards to produce school mapping data for each public school and public charter school in the county to assist first responders in responding to emergencies at a school; and authorizing the School Safety Subcabinet within the Maryland Center for School Safety to use the Safe Schools Fund to provide funding to the Department for grants under the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-452 - added and § 7-1512 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 473 Delegate Pasteur, et al**HIGHER EDUCATION – UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS – OUT-OF-STATE TUITION EXEMPTION ELIGIBILITY**

Altering, from 3 years to 1 year, the number of years an individual or the individual's parent or guardian must file taxes before the academic year for eligibility to receive an out-of-state tuition exemption.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 15-106.8(b)(4) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 474 Delegate Young, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PROBATION, PAROLE, AND PRETRIAL RELEASE**

Prohibiting a court from revoking a defendant's pretrial release or finding that a defendant has violated probation, and the Maryland Parole Commission from finding that a parolee has violated parole, based solely on the use of cannabis or a positive cannabis test unless the court or Commission, at the time of ordering pretrial release, makes a finding that the use of cannabis could create a danger to the defendant or others and includes as a condition of pretrial release, probation, or parole that the defendant may not use cannabis.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, §§ 5-213 and 6-231 - amended and CS, § 7-401.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 475 Delegate Korman, et al

EDUCATION – OPEN–SOURCE PHONICS MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT (OPEN–SOURCE PHONICS MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM ACT)

Establishing the Open–Source Phonics Matching Grant Program within the State Department of Education; requiring the Department to administer the Program; requiring the Governor each fiscal year to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$150,000 to the Program; and authorizing certain organizations to apply for grants from the Program.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 476 Delegate Bartlett, et al

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

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 under the age of 18 years who is deceased or the subject of a certain missing person report and whose whereabouts are unknown.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 17-101.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 477 Delegates Wilkins and Stewart

LANDLORD AND TENANT – RESIDENTIAL LEASES AND HOLDOVER TENANCIES – LOCAL JUST CAUSE TERMINATION PROVISIONS

Authorizing a county to adopt by local law or ordinance provisions prohibiting a landlord of residential property from failing to renew a lease or from terminating a holdover tenancy without just cause; and establishing certain requirements for a local law or ordinance adopted in accordance with the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 8-402(c)(2) - amended and § 8-402.3 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 478 Delegate Sample–Hughes**MOTOR VEHICLES – SCHOOL VEHICLE DRIVERS – MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS**

Requiring a school vehicle driver to pass an appropriate medical examination before employment and once during each 2 years of employment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TR, § 16-816(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 479 Delegate Palakovich Carr**ELECTION LAW – DEADLINE FOR SELECTION OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution by requiring a candidate for Governor in a primary election to designate a candidate for Lieutenant Governor within 21 days after the primary election; requiring a candidate seeking a nomination for Governor by any method other than a primary election to designate a candidate for Lieutenant Governor at the time of filing a declaration of intent to seek nomination; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State at the general election in November 2024; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. II, § 1B - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 480 Delegate Taylor, et al**REAL PROPERTY – LAND INSTALLMENT CONTRACTS – REQUIREMENTS AND VENDOR DUTIES AND LIMITATIONS**

Requiring the vendor to provide a purchaser under a land installment contract with the results of a title search for the property at or before the time the purchaser signs the contract; requiring the inclusion of certain notice, terms, and recitals in a land installment contract formed in the State; altering, from 40% to 20%, the percentage of the original cash price of a land installment contract that the purchaser must pay before the purchaser may demand a grant of the deed to the property to the purchaser; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, §§ 10-102, 10-103, 10-105, and 10-107 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 481 Delegate Hutchinson, et al**NATURAL RESOURCES – ANTLERLESS DEER HUNTING PROGRAMS
– AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing a person to receive a raffle ticket for each antlerless deer hunted by the person during a certain raffle program that has as its objective the hunting of antlerless deer.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, § 10-404(e) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 482 Delegate Simpson, et al**CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION BOARD – VICTIMS OF
NONFATAL STRANGULATION**

Authorizing the reimbursement of certain physicians, qualified health care providers, and hospitals by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board for certain forensic examinations of and health care services provided to a victim of nonfatal strangulation without charge; and specifying that “strangulation” includes strangulation that is not related to rape, sexual offense, or sexual abuse.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, §§ 11-816.1, 11-1007, and 11-1102 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 483 Delegate Attar**JUVENILE COURT – JURISDICTION**

Expanding the jurisdiction of the juvenile court to include certain offenses committed by a child who is at least 10 years old.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-8A-03 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 484 Delegate Mangione, et al

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – FEE OR TAX RATE INCREASES –
YEA AND NAY VOTE OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY REQUIRED
(TAXPAYER DISCLOSURE AND PROTECTION ACT)

Prohibiting a certain increase of a State fee or the rate of a State tax from taking effect unless the General Assembly, by a ye and nay vote, explicitly approves the increased fee or tax rate.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 62 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 485 Delegate Fair, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – PROHIBITION ON TRANSFER OF HUMAN
IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS – REPEAL

Repealing the prohibition on an individual from knowingly transferring or attempting to transfer the human immunodeficiency virus to another individual.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 18-601.1 - repealed

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 486 Delegate Fair, et al

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY SALES – CONTRACT DISCLOSURES –
SUPERFUND SITES

Requiring the seller of residential real property located within 0.5 miles of a National Priorities List (NPL) Superfund site to provide the buyer with an addendum to the contract for the sale of the property that contains the identification of the Superfund site, the definition of an NPL Superfund site, web addresses for certain websites, and a notice that the buyer may void the contract of sale within 5 days after signing and dating the contract of sale.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 10-714 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 487 Delegate Adams, et al**CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES
– NONESCHEAT CAPITAL CREDITS**

Providing that certain unclaimed money held by an electric cooperative and due to a past member is not considered abandoned property; and authorizing an electric cooperative to use this money only to assist members of the cooperative or donate to nonprofit, charitable organizations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 17-304(g) - amended and CA, § 5-650.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 488 Delegate Ruff, et al**QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS – TRAINING AND
REENTRY SERVICES – FUNDING**

Requiring the Governor to include a certain \$1,000,000 in the annual budget bill for fiscal years 2026 through 2028 to provide 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 funds.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

PS, § 4-1013 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 489 Delegate D. Jones, et al**EDUCATION – STATE LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTER – FUNDING**

Altering the calculation of certain funding for the State Library Resource Center for fiscal years 2025 through 2031.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 23-205(d) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 490 **Delegate D. Jones, et al**

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

Repealing certain termination provisions relating to a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for certain donations to diaper banks and other charitable entities.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Chapters 221 and 222 of the Acts of 2021, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 491 **Delegates Fair and Boaf**

STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION AND
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – PROPERTY APPRAISAL
AIDS – GEOGRAPHIC IMAGES

Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to prepare, install, and maintain certain appraisal aids that consist of a database of statewide and local geographic images; and requiring the Department of General Services to procure for the State a certain uniform system that includes any tools or services needed to prepare, maintain, and install the appraisal aids.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, § 2-210 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means