



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2024 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 30, 2024
Schedule 14

PLEASE NOTE: February 5 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 5.

As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 30, 2024

SB 700 **Senator Carozza**

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM – MEMBERSHIP
– 9–1–1 SPECIALISTS

Authorizing certain individuals who are employed as 9–1–1 specialists and certified by the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to become members of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System as employees of a participating governmental unit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, §§ 31-2A-01, 31-2A-03, 31-2A-04, and 31-2A-05 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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SB 701 Senator Beidle**MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE–BASED
YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM
– AMOUNT OF ANNUAL SUBSIDIES**

Altering the amount of funds in each of calendar years 2024 and 2025, the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange is authorized to designate for annual subsidies under the State–Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program to include unspent funds designated for subsidies for young adults in a previous calendar year.

EMERGENCY BILL

IN, § 31-122(e) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 702 Senator Beidle**INCOME TAX – BIOTECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT INCENTIVE TAX
CREDIT PROGRAM – PASS–THROUGH ENTITIES**

Allowing a qualified investor that is a pass–through entity that pays a certain income tax on behalf of its members to receive and allocate in any manner a credit or refund of a credit under the Biotechnology Investment Incentive Tax Credit Program; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2023; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-725(b)(5) - added and § 10-725(d)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 703 Senators Hayes and Charles**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – TRANSPARENCY DASHBOARD**

Requiring the Comptroller to develop and maintain on the Comptroller’s website a certain procurement dashboard; establishing certain requirements for the dashboard; and requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation for at least one full–time position to develop and maintain the dashboard and for the software necessary to develop and maintain the dashboard.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 4-114 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 704 Senator Hayes**APPRAISAL GAP FROM HISTORIC REDLINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS**

Expanding eligibility for financial assistance under the Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program to include individuals who purchase certain qualified property after a qualified project is completed, at an affordable sales price as determined by certain regulations, and as an owner-occupant.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HS, §§ 4-2802 and 4-2804 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 705 Senators Hayes and Lam**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

IN, §§ 31-101(u-1), 31-123, and 31-124 - added and §§ 31-107, 31-108(b)(1), and 31-115(b)(7) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 706 Senator Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM – REEMPLOYMENT AS SHERIFF**

Requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to suspend the retirement benefit of a retiree of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System who is elected as a sheriff within 5 years after retirement; providing for the reinstatement of a benefit; and providing that a suspension of a benefit does not affect survivor benefits.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, § 26-403 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 707 **Senator Jackson**

ARMED FORCES – SUPPORT OF MILITARY FAMILIES AND
ADDITION OF SPACE FORCE

Adding the Space Force to certain provisions of law related to the armed forces; authorizing military spouses and residents of the State who are members of the National Guard of another state or a reserve component of the armed forces to terminate certain contracts at any time after the date the service member receives certain military orders to relocate; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, ED, FL, and PS, Various Sections - amended

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