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Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 14, 2015
Twelve O'clock Noon

STATE OF MARYLAND, To Wit:

This being the day prescribed by Article III, Section 14 of the Constitution for the convening of the General Assembly of Maryland at 12:00 Noon.

Sylvia Siegert, Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates for the 2015 Session, called the House to order and led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer was offered by Delegate Samuel "Sandy" I. Rosenberg of Baltimore City.

The Chief Clerk, in accordance with Article I, Section 9, directed that the members-elect be called and qualified. The members-elect were qualified by the Chief Clerk in the presence of each other taking the Oath of Office prescribed by the Constitution and inscribed the same in the Testbook of the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 140 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 6)

EXCUSES:

Del. Afzali – father's illness

Members having answered to their names, the Chief Clerk announced a majority of all members being present, the House was ready, under the provisions of the Constitution, to proceed with business.

The Chief Clerk called for nominations for the office of Speaker Pro Tem of the House of Delegates for the Regular Session of the Maryland General Assembly.

Delegate C. Howard of Prince George's County nominated Delegate Adrienne A. Jones of Baltimore County for the office of Speaker Pro Tem.

Delegate Lafferty of Baltimore County seconded the nomination.

Delegate Glenn of Baltimore City moved that the nominations be closed.

Delegate Zucker of Montgomery County seconded the motion.

The Chief Clerk put the question: All in favor of Delegate Adrienne A. Jones for the Office of Speaker Pro Tem signify by saying Aye..., opposed Nay... the Ayes have it.

The motion was adopted.

The Chief Clerk called for Delegate Brooks of Baltimore County and Delegate Hettleman of Baltimore County to escort the Speaker Pro Tem–Elect to the Rostrum.

The Chief Clerk administered the oath of office to Delegate Adrienne A. Jones of Baltimore County.

**THE HONORABLE ADRIENNE A. JONES,
SPEAKER PRO TEM, NOW PRESIDING**

The Speaker Pro Tem introduced the distinguished guests joining us today.

The Speaker Pro Tem called for nominations for the office of Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Delegate Barve of Montgomery County placed the name of Delegate Michael E. Busch of Anne Arundel County in nomination for the office of Speaker of the House.

Delegate Gaines of Prince George’s County seconded the nomination.

Delegate Clippinger of Baltimore City moved the nominations be closed.

Delegate Beidle of Anne Arundel County seconded the motion.

The Speaker Pro Tem put the question: All in favor of Delegate Michael E. Busch for the Office of Speaker signify by saying Aye..., opposed Nay... the Ayes have it.

The motion was adopted.

The Speaker Pro Tem requested that Delegate Carey of Anne Arundel County and Delegate Pena–Melnik of Prince George’s County escort the Speaker–Elect to the Rostrum.

Speaker Pro Tem Jones administered the oath of office to Delegate Busch, Speaker–Elect of the House.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE MICHAEL E. BUSCH, NOW PRESIDING

The Speaker addressed the House.

Remarks by Governor–elect Lawrence “Larry” Hogan, Jr.

Remarks by U.S. Senator Barbara Mikulski

ORDER

JANUARY 14, 2015

ORDERED by the House of Delegates of Maryland, that the Rules of the House of Delegates in effect at the end of the Regular Session of 2014, with the exception of Rule 116, be adopted for the Regular Session of 2015.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

House Rule 116

Delegate Kaiser moved to make House Rule 116 a Special Order of Business until January 20, 2015.

The motion was adopted.

ORDER

JANUARY 14, 2015

ORDERED By The House of Delegates of Maryland, that the Chief Clerk of the House is Sylvia Siegert, pursuant to House Rules 103 and 105 of the Maryland House of Delegates.

ORDERED By The House of Delegates of Maryland, that the Journal Clerk of the House is Colleen Cassidy, pursuant to House Rules 104 and 105 of the Maryland House of Delegates.

Read and adopted.

ORDER

JANUARY 14, 2015

ORDERED By the House of Delegates of Maryland, that the following Desk Officers are hereby appointed to serve the House of Delegates during this Regular Legislative Session of 2015:

Assistant Chief Clerk Wendi W. Compton

Assistant Journal Clerk Anita S. Bavis

Proceedings Clerk Linda Drager

Reading Clerk C. Rhoades Whitehill

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

JANUARY 14, 2015

ORDERED By the House of Delegates of Maryland, that the monies appropriated for the expenses of this Regular Session of 2015 as set forth in the Appropriations Bill, be paid upon joint Order of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

ORDER

JANUARY 14, 2015

ORDERED By the House of Delegates of Maryland, that the Speaker of the House shall appoint the employees necessary for the proper transaction of the business of the Regular Session of 2015, as provided for in the Budget. This order to remain in effect until changed or modified by the House of Delegates of Maryland.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

JANUARY 14, 2015

BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE:

RESOLVED, that the Honorable Anne R. Kaiser of Montgomery County be appointed as Majority Leader;

That the Honorable Dan K. Morhaim of Baltimore County be appointed Deputy Majority Leader;

That the Honorable Tawanna P. Gaines of Prince George’s County be appointed Assistant Majority Leader;

That the Honorable Talmadge Branch of Baltimore City be appointed as Majority Whip;

That the Honorable Carolyn J. B. Howard of Prince George’s County be appointed Deputy Speaker Pro Tem;

And, That the Honorable C. William Frick of Montgomery County be appointed Parliamentarian.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

JANUARY 14, 2015

RESOLVED, that the following Member be appointed Chief Deputy Majority Whip:

The Hon. Benjamin Barnes

RESOLVED, that the following Members be appointed Deputy Majority Whips:

- The Hon. Curt Anderson
- The Hon. Bonnie Cullison
- The Hon. James W. Gilchrist
- The Hon. Keith Haynes
- The Hon. Steve Lafferty
- The Hon. Kirill Reznik
- The Hon. Barbara Robinson
- The Hon. Kris Valderrama
- The Hon. Geraldine Valentino-Smith
- The Hon. Michael Vaughn
- The Hon. Alonzo Washington
- The Hon. Mary Washington

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

JANUARY 14, 2015

RESOLVED, that the Chair and Vice–Chair of the Standing Committees within the House of Delegates be:

APPROPRIATIONS:

Chair	Honorable Maggie McIntosh of Baltimore City
Vice–Chair	Honorable James E. Proctor, Jr. of Prince George’s County

ECONOMIC MATTERS:

Chair	Honorable Dereck E. Davis of Prince George’s County
Vice–Chair	Honorable Sally Jameson of Charles County

ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION:

Chair	Honorable Kumar P. Barve of Montgomery County
Vice–Chair	Honorable Dana M. Stein of Baltimore County

HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS:

Chair	Honorable Peter A. Hammen of Baltimore City
Vice–Chair	Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass of Howard County

JUDICIARY:

Chair	Honorable Joseph F. Vallario, Jr. of Prince George’s County
Vice–Chair	Honorable Kathleen M. Dumais of Montgomery County

WAYS & MEANS:

Chair	Honorable Sheila E. Hixson of Montgomery County
Vice–Chair	Honorable Frank S. Turner of Howard County

RULES & EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS:

Chair	Honorable Anne Healey of Prince George’s County
Vice–Chair	Honorable Jay Walker of Prince George’s County

COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL:

Chair	Honorable Barbara Frush of Prince George’s County
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CONSENT CALENDAR:

Chair	Honorable Anne R. Kaiser of Montgomery County
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BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

JANUARY 14, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Hon. Maggie McIntosh, Chair
Hon. James E. Proctor, Jr., Vice–Chair
Hon. Benjamin S. Barnes
Hon. Wendell R. Beitzel
Hon. Mary Beth Carozza
Hon. Mark S. Chang
Hon. Tawanna P. Gaines
Hon. Jeff Ghrist
Hon. Robin L. Grammer, Jr.
Hon. Ana Sol Gutierrez
Hon. Keith E. Haynes
Hon. Shelly Hettleman
Hon. Michael A. Jackson
Hon. Adrienne A. Jones
Hon. Marc Korman
Hon. Carol L. Krimm
Hon. Brooke Elizabeth Lierman
Hon. Tony McConkey
Hon. Mike McKay
Hon. Aruna Miller
Hon. Barbara Robinson
Hon. Andrew A. Serafini
Hon. Theodore Sophocleus
Hon. David E. Vogt, III
Hon. Pat Young
Hon. Craig J. Zucker

ECONOMIC MATTERS COMMITTEE

Hon. Dereck E. Davis, Chair
Hon. Sally Jameson, Vice–Chair
Hon. Christopher T. Adams
Hon. Steven Arentz
Hon. Susan L. M. Aumann
Hon. Charles E. Barkley
Hon. Talmadge Branch
Hon. Benjamin Brooks
Hon. Ned Carey
Hon. Luke Clippinger
Hon. Mark N. Fisher
Hon. C. William Frick
Hon. Cheryl D. Glenn

Hon. Seth Howard
Hon. Richard K. Impallaria
Hon. Benjamin F. Kramer
Hon. Mary Ann Lisanti
Hon. Johnny Mautz
Hon. Warren E. Miller
Hon. Kelly Schulz
Hon. Kris Valderrama
Hon. Michael L. Vaughn
Hon. Jeffrey D. Waldstreicher
Hon. C. T. Wilson

ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Hon. Kumar P. Barve, Chair
Hon. Dana M. Stein, Vice–Chair
Hon. Carl Anderton, Jr.
Hon. Pamela G. Beidle
Hon. Alfred C. Carr, Jr.
Hon. Andrew Cassilly
Hon. Bob Flanagan
Hon. David Fraser–Hildago
Hon. Barbara A. Frush
Hon. James W. Gilchrist
Hon. Anne Healey
Hon. Marvin E. Holmes, Jr.
Hon. Jay A. Jacobs
Hon. Tony Knotts
Hon. Stephen W. Lafferty
Hon. Clarence K. Lam
Hon. Cory McCray
Hon. Anthony J. O’Donnell
Hon. Charles J. Otto
Hon. Shane Robinson
Hon. Kathy Szeliga
Hon. Cathleen M. Vitale

HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Hon. Peter A. Hammen, Chair
Hon. Shane E. Pendergrass, Vice–Chair
Hon. Angela Angel
Hon. Erek Barron
Hon. Eric M. Bromwell
Hon. Bonnie L. Cullison
Hon. Antonio Hayes
Hon. Terri L. Hill

Hon. Ariana Kelly
Hon. Nicholas R. Kipke
Hon. Susan W. Krebs
Hon. Patrick L. McDonough
Hon. Herb McMillan
Hon. Christian Miele
Hon. Matt Morgan
Hon. Dan K. Morhaim
Hon. Nathaniel T. Oaks
Hon. Joseline A. Pena–Melnyk
Hon. Justin D. Ready
Hon. Kirill Reznik
Hon. Sid Saab
Hon. Sheree Sample–Hughes
Hon. Chris West
Hon. Karen Lewis Young

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Hon. Joseph F. Vallario, Jr., Chair
Hon. Kathleen M. Dumais, Vice–Chair
Hon. Curt S. Anderson
Hon. Vanessa Atterbeary
Hon. Will Campos
Hon. Jill P. Carter
Hon. John W.E. Cluster, Jr.
Hon. Frank M. Conaway, Jr.
Hon. William Folden
Hon. Glen Glass
Hon. Jay Jalisi
Hon. Trent Kittleman
Hon. Susan K. McComas
Hon. David Moon
Hon. Marice I. Morales
Hon. Neil C. Parrott
Hon. Deb Rey
Hon. Samuel I. Rosenberg
Hon. Will Smith
Hon. Charles E. Sydnor, III
Hon. Geraldine Valentino–Smith
Hon. Brett Wilson

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

Hon. Sheila E. Hixson, Chair
Hon. Frank S. Turner, Vice–Chair
Hon. Kathryn L. Afzali

Hon. Darryl Barnes
Hon. Jason C. Buckel
Hon. Eric Ebersole
Hon. Diana M. Fennell
Hon. Kevin Bailey Hornberger
Hon. Carolyn J. B. Howard
Hon. Anne R. Kaiser
Hon. Eric G. Luedtke
Hon. Bob Long
Hon. Ric Metzgar
Hon. Edith J. Patterson
Hon. Andrew Platt
Hon. Teresa Reilly
Hon. Meagan C. Simonaire
Hon. Haven Shoemaker
Hon. Jimmy Tarlau
Hon. Jay Walker
Hon. Alonzo T. Washington
Hon. Mary Washington

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

JANUARY 14, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES & EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Hon. Anne Healey, Chair
Hon. Jay Walker, Vice–Chair
Hon. Kumar P. Barve
Hon. Talmadge Branch
Hon. Dereck E. Davis
Hon. Kathleen M. Dumais
Hon. C. William Frick
Hon. Peter A. Hammen
Hon. Sheila E. Hixson
Hon. Carolyn J. B. Howard
Hon. Sally Y. Jameson
Hon. Adrienne A. Jones
Hon. Nicholas R. Kipke

Hon. Susan K. McComas
Hon. Maggie McIntosh
Hon. Warren E. Miller
Hon. Anthony J. O'Donnell
Hon. Shane E. Pendergrass
Hon. James E. Proctor, Jr.
Hon. Kathy Szeliga
Hon. Frank S. Turner
Hon. Samuel I. Rosenberg
Hon. Dana M. Stein
Hon. Joseph F. Vallario, Jr.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

January 14, 2015

By The Majority Leader:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The House of Delegates has organized by the election of the Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House.

We respectfully propose, with your concurrence, the appointment of a Joint Committee of six members, four on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the General Assembly is now organized and prepared to receive any communications he may desire to make.

We have appointed on the part of the House of Delegates, Delegates Frush, C. Wilson, M. Washington and Reznik.

BY ORDER,

Sylvia Siegert
Chief Clerk

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

January 14, 2015

By the Majority Leader,

Ladies and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message notifying the Senate of the organization of your Honorable Body, and requesting the appointment of a joint committee to wait upon the Governor to inform him that the General Assembly is now prepared to receive any communications which he may desire to make.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate, Senators Pugh and Jennings.

The Senate has organized by the election of the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., as President.

By Order,
William B.C. Addison, Secretary

Read and ordered journalized.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 1 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Hattie N. Harrison Memorial Scholarship – Establishment

FOR the purpose of altering the workforce shortage fields eligible for a Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grant to include school counselors under certain circumstances; naming a certain grant to be the Hattie N. Harrison Memorial Scholarship; and generally relating to the Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grants program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–708(b) through (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–708(e)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 2 – Delegate Stein

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Preservation and Conservation Easements

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law concerning a credit against the State income tax for certain preservation and conservation easements to allow an individual or a member of a pass-through entity to claim the credit for an easement conveyed to the Maryland Environmental Trust, the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, or the Department of Natural Resources under certain circumstances; altering the amount of the credit allowed under certain provisions of law; authorizing a taxpayer to claim a certain credit against the Maryland estate tax under certain circumstances; providing that a grantor of an easement may transfer a certain tax credit by obtaining a certain certificate; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to issue a certain tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; specifying the contents of the certificate; setting a limit on the number of approved tax credit certificates issued by the Maryland Environmental Trust each year; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to approve applications for tax credit certificates in a certain manner; authorizing a holder of a certain tax credit certificate to transfer the certificate under certain circumstances; authorizing the Comptroller to assess and distribute a certain fee on transferred credits; requiring the Comptroller and the Department to jointly, in consultation with the Maryland Environmental Trust, adopt certain regulations; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the issuance of tax credit certificates in accordance with this Act may not adversely impact the annual budgets of certain State agencies or programs; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to direct outreach to obtain donated easements in a certain manner; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to make a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; making certain stylistic changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for certain preservation and conservation easements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–723
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 3 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

**Prescription Drug Monitoring Program – Prescribers and Dispensers –
Required Query**

FOR the purpose of requiring regulations adopted by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene for the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to require a prescriber and a dispenser to query the Program before prescribing or dispensing a monitored prescription drug to a patient; requiring, except under certain circumstances, a prescriber and a dispenser to query the Program for a certain purpose before prescribing or dispensing a monitored prescription drug to a patient; authorizing a prescriber to authorize a designee to query the Program on the prescriber's behalf under certain circumstances; repealing a certain prohibition against a prescriber or a dispenser being subject to disciplinary action arising solely from certain actions; making a prescriber or a dispenser who violates certain provisions of law relating to a query of the Program subject to certain disciplinary action; making a certain technical correction; and generally relating to the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and required queries by prescribers and dispensers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–01(a), (d), (e), (f), and (h) through (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–04, 21–2A–08(b), and 21–2A–09
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–04.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 4 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Wage and Hour Law – State Minimum Wage Rate – Increase

FOR the purpose of altering the State minimum wage rate; repealing certain provisions of law establishing a phase-in of certain increases in the minimum wage rate; and generally relating to the State minimum wage rate.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–413
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 5 – Delegate O’Donnell

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Newborn Screening Program Fund
– Establishment**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Newborn Screening Program Fund; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to administer the Fund; providing for the uses, purposes, sources of funding, investment of money, and auditing of the Fund; providing that the Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund not subject to certain provisions of law; requiring the Secretary to pay certain fees to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to distribute certain fees to the Fund; defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Newborn Screening Program Fund in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 13–111(f) and 13–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 6 – Delegate Glenn

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Unattended Child Under the Age of 3 Years

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person who is charged with the care of a child under a certain age from allowing the child to be locked or confined under certain circumstances unless the person charged provides a reliable person of at least a certain age to remain with the child to protect the child; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to unattended children.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–801
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 7 – Delegate Sophocleus

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Child Abuse and Neglect – Expungement of Reports and Records – Time Period

FOR the purpose of requiring a local department of social services to maintain certain reports of suspected abuse or neglect and all assessments and investigative findings for a certain purpose for certain periods of time; altering the time period after which a local department is required to expunge certain reports and records of suspected child abuse and neglect; and generally relating to reports of child abuse and neglect.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–707
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 8 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Uniform Act to Secure the Attendance of Witnesses From Without the State in Criminal Proceedings – News Media Privilege

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a judge from issuing a certain summons directing a witness to attend and testify in court outside the State if the witness is a certain member of the news media and the judge makes certain findings related to the privileged communications laws of the other state and the likelihood that the witness will be directed to disclose the name of a confidential source or be held in contempt of court; and generally relating to summoning news media witnesses to testify in another state.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 9–112
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 9–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 9 – Delegate Kelly

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Home Birth Safety Act

FOR the purpose of establishing a licensing and regulatory system for the practice of direct–entry midwifery under the State Board of Nursing; establishing the Direct–Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee within the Board; providing for the composition, qualifications, chair, term, quorum, meeting requirements, compensation, reimbursement, and removal of members of the Committee; providing for the duties of the Committee; including certain midwives under the jurisdiction of a certain rehabilitation committee; requiring the Board to give certain persons a hearing before taking certain actions; requiring certain midwives to notify certain providers of certain births, transfer certain records, make certain recommendations, develop certain plans for certain patients, obtain certain informed consent agreements that acknowledge certain items from certain patients, comply with certain data collection and reporting requirements, and display a certain notice under certain circumstances; requiring certain midwives to consult with certain health care providers under certain circumstances, arrange for emergency transfer under certain circumstances, and refer and transfer care of certain patients under certain circumstances; requiring the Committee to review and approve certain plans; requiring certain plans to be provided to certain hospitals; requiring the Board, in consultation with certain parties, to develop a certain form for use during certain transfers; prohibiting certain midwives from offering a certain service except under certain circumstances; specifying the qualifications for a license to practice direct–entry midwifery; specifying the procedure for applying for a license to practice direct–entry midwifery; requiring the Board to set certain fees for the issuance and renewal of certain licenses and services; requiring the Board to pay certain fees to the Comptroller of the State; requiring the fees to be used for a certain purpose; authorizing the Board to waive certain education and training requirements under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to issue certain licenses and to include a certain designation on each license; requiring the Board to consider certain factors on receipt of certain criminal history record information in making certain determinations; specifying the scope of a license issued under this Act; providing for

the expiration and renewal of a license to practice direct–entry midwifery; requiring the Board to send to the licensee a certain renewal notice at a certain time and in a certain manner; requiring certain continuing education, peer review, and data submission as a condition of license renewal; requiring the Board to place certain licensees on inactive status and to reactivate and reinstate certain licenses under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Board from reinstating certain licenses under certain circumstances; requiring certain licensees to submit to additional criminal history records checks at specified intervals; prohibiting certain midwives from surrendering certain licenses except under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain licenses from lapsing by operation of law under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to set certain conditions to accept the surrender of certain licenses; authorizing the Board to deny certain licenses, reprimand or place on probation certain licensees, or suspend or revoke certain licenses under certain circumstances, subject to certain hearing provisions; authorizing the Board to impose a certain penalty; prohibiting certain individuals from making certain representations or using certain abbreviations or designations unless authorized to practice direct–entry midwifery in the State; prohibiting certain licensees from advertising in a certain manner; providing for the scope of this Act; providing certain health care providers with certain immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; providing certain penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this Act; providing a short title for certain provisions of this Act; subjecting certain provisions of this Act to the Maryland Program Evaluation Act and a certain full evaluation under certain circumstances; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Committee; requiring the Board to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date regarding the practice of direct–entry midwifery in the State; defining certain terms; altering a certain definition; requiring the Committee, with the approval of the Board, to convene a certain workgroup; providing for the composition and duties of the workgroup; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the licensure and regulation of direct–entry midwives by the State Board of Nursing.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–301(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–208 and 8–317(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations

Section 8-6C-01, 8-6C-02, 8-6C-02.1, 8-6C-02.2, and 8-6C-03 through 8-6C-26 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6C. Direct-Entry Midwives”; and 8-701(e-1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8-405(b)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 10 – Delegate Jones

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “fully online distance education program” as it relates to the registration of institutions of higher education that offer certain online distance education programs in the State; and generally relating to institutions of higher education and fully online distance education in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11-202.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 11 – Delegate O’Donnell

AN ACT concerning

Edward T. Conroy and Jean B. Cryor Memorial Scholarship Programs – Eligibility

FOR the purpose of altering the eligibility requirements for the Edward T. Conroy and Jean B. Cryor Memorial Scholarship Programs to include the stepchildren of certain individuals; and generally relating to eligibility for certain memorial scholarship programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education

Section 18–601(c) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–601(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 395 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 12 – Delegate Cluster

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation – Baltimore County Deputy Sheriff

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition of “public safety employee” to include a deputy sheriff in Baltimore County when performing certain duties for purposes of providing for enhanced compensation benefits under the Workers’ Compensation Law for a compensable permanent partial disability of less than a certain number of weeks under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to workers’ compensation benefits for deputy sheriffs in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–628(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–628(h) and 9–629
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 13 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Regulated Firearms – Licensed Dealer or Secondary Seller – National Instant Criminal Background (NICS) Check

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain licensed firearms dealer or secondary seller to conditionally sell, rent, or transfer a firearm to a firearm applicant under certain circumstances; prohibiting a licensee or secondary seller from selling, renting, or transferring a firearm under certain circumstances; requiring a licensee or secondary seller to notify a firearms applicant that an application has been approved or disapproved under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement agency to confiscate a certain firearm that is not returned to a licensee or secondary seller; and generally relating to licensed firearms dealers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–123 and 5–124
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–124.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 14 – Delegate O’Donnell

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

Hunting Licenses – Exemption for Retired Members of the Armed Forces

FOR the purpose of creating an exemption from the requirement to obtain a hunting license under certain circumstances for a person who is a former member of the armed forces of the United States; providing that the exemption applies only to hunting on certain farmland that is under certain ownership; requiring a person who hunts under the exemption to possess certain identification, written permission, and, under certain circumstances, hunting stamps; and generally relating to exemptions from the requirement to obtain a hunting license.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–301(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–301(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 15 – Delegate McConkey

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transportation Authority – Chesapeake Bay Bridge – Toll Collection

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to implement a procedure at the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge by a certain date that requires that all tolls be paid by a certain electronic means except at a single “cash only” lane that the Authority may provide for the payment of tolls in cash; and generally relating to the collection of tolls for the use of the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation
Section 4–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 16 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Baltimore City – Prohibition on Sale of Unlawful Vehicles

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, in Baltimore City, a person from selling or offering for sale any vehicle that is prohibited from use in Baltimore City under any State or local law; establishing a certain penalty; and generally relating to prohibiting a person from selling or offering for sale certain vehicles in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation
Section 15–112.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 17 – Delegate McConkey

AN ACT concerning

**State Real Estate Commission – Continuing Education –
Comparative Law Course**

FOR the purpose of altering the number of clock hours of continuing education instruction a licensee must complete to qualify for renewal of a license to provide real estate brokerage services; requiring licensees to take a course as a condition of license renewal on or after a certain date; requiring certain licensees to complete a course that includes certain subject matter to receive credit for completion of a certain continuing education course; and generally relating to continuing education for licensees of the State Real Estate Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–315(a)(1) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 18 – Delegate Cluster

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Sunday Hunting

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain restriction on Sunday deer hunting in Baltimore County; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Baltimore County to hunt any game bird or game mammal, except migratory game birds and wetland game birds, on a Sunday on certain land during the open season for that game bird or game mammal; making conforming changes; and generally relating to Sunday hunting in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 19 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Truant Students – System of Active Intervention – Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring the system of active intervention for certain truant students developed by each county board of education to include an Individualized Reengagement Plan for each truant student, coordination and collaboration with State and municipal agencies to deliver certain services, creation of a certain database to track truant students, and a specific plan for each public school to reengage truant students; requiring the Individualized Reengagement Plan to be developed by certain individuals using a certain process and requiring the Plan to be customized to the student; defining certain terms; and generally relating to requirements for a system of active intervention for truant students.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–302.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 20 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Elder Abuse or Neglect – Increased Penalties

FOR the purpose of altering the penalties for the crime of causing abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult in the first or second degree; and generally relating to elder abuse or neglect.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–604(b) and 3–605(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–604(c) and 3–605(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 21 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Qualification License – Qualified Handgun Instructors and Permit Holders

FOR the purpose of establishing that certain provisions relating to a handgun qualification license do not apply to a certain qualified handgun instructor; establishing that a person may purchase, rent, or receive a handgun without a handgun qualification license if the person is a certain qualified handgun instructor and is not otherwise prohibited under State or federal law; requiring the Secretary of State Police to issue a handgun qualification license to a certain person who meets the requirements for a certain permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun; and generally relating to handgun qualification licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(a) and (c) and 5–306(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(b) and 5–301(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 22 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Education – Privacy of Education Records and Personal Information of Students

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Department of Education, the State Board of Education, a county board of education, a local school system, a primary school, or a secondary school to collect or disclose the education records, or personally identifiable information contained in the education records, of a student only as necessary or required for certain purposes; prohibiting a person from requiring a certain student, without prior written consent, to submit to a survey, an analysis, or an evaluation that reveals certain information; requiring the Department to develop security measures and procedures to protect personally identifiable information

contained in education records from release to any unauthorized person or for any unauthorized purpose; requiring the Department to comply with all federal and State privacy protection laws when collecting, maintaining, or disclosing education records; establishing that this Act does not prohibit the disclosure of aggregate data from education records in certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the privacy of education records and personal information of students.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–1701 through 7–1706 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Privacy of Student Information”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 23 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Vulnerable Adult Abuse Registry

FOR the purpose of establishing a vulnerable adult abuse registry; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish and maintain a registry containing the names of certain individuals; requiring that names and information contained in the registry be available for public inspection; authorizing the Department to discharge certain responsibilities in a certain manner; requiring a State agency that makes a certain finding to notify the Department in a certain manner; requiring the State’s Attorney to report a conviction of an individual for a certain crime to the Department; requiring the Department to enter the names of certain individuals and information in the registry in certain circumstances; requiring the Department to notify an individual of inclusion in the registry in a certain manner; authorizing the individual to challenge the accuracy of a certain report in a certain manner; requiring the removal of a certain individual’s name from the registry under certain circumstances; authorizing a State agency to recommend the removal of an individual’s name from the registry in certain circumstances; authorizing a certain appeal; requiring a certain State agency to consult the registry prior to hiring an employee or using a volunteer; prohibiting a certain agency from hiring or otherwise using the services of an individual who is listed in the registry; providing immunity for certain persons; defining certain terms; and generally relating to abuse of vulnerable adults.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 11–1101 through 11–1105 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11. Vulnerable Adult Abuse Registry”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 24 – Delegate McConkey

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Allowance for Funeral Expenses

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum amount that a court may allow for funeral expenses for certain estates; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an allowance for funeral expenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 8–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 25 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Assault Weapons – Replacements

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to replace a lost or broken assault weapon that the person lawfully possessed in accordance with certain provisions of law if the replacement is registered with the Secretary of State Police; and generally relating to assault weapons.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 4–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 26 – Delegate A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Clean Indoor Air Act – Use of Electronic Smoking Devices – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “smoking” for purposes of the Clean Indoor Air Act to include the use of an electronic smoking device; defining a certain term; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to prohibiting the use of electronic smoking devices under the Clean Indoor Air Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24–501 through 24–503, 24–507, and 24–510
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24–504 and 24–508
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 27 – Delegate McConkey

THIRD PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on the Disposition of the Crownsville Hospital Center Property

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on the Disposition of the Crownsville Hospital Center Property; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the sale, transfer, or other disposition of the Crownsville Hospital Center property; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on the Disposition of the Crownsville Hospital Center Property.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 28 – Delegate Cluster

AN ACT concerning

Primary and Secondary Education – Security – School Resource Officers

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain authorized persons of certain public schools in the State to deny access to certain school areas to certain persons; authorizing certain authorized persons to demand certain identification from any person who wants to use or enter certain school areas; authorizing the county board of certain public schools to enter into an agreement with an appropriate law enforcement agency to carry out certain activities under certain circumstances; providing penalties for a certain violation; requiring that a certain number of school resource officers be assigned to certain public schools in the State; requiring certain public schools to hire retired law enforcement officers to serve as school resource officers for the school; requiring certain school resource officers to obtain a special police officer commission issued by the Department of State Police; requiring the county superintendent to submit an application to the Secretary of State Police for a special police commission for each school resource officer hired; establishing that a school resource officer hired under this Act is a contractual employee of the State, is entitled to State workers' compensation benefits, and is to receive at least a certain salary; requiring the State to reimburse certain local education agencies for certain expenditures relating to this Act; providing that funds used to reimburse local education agencies shall be paid from the Education Trust Fund from funds allocated from a certain source; making certain stylistic changes; defining certain terms; repealing certain duplicative provisions; and generally relating to school resource officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 1–101(a), (c), (d), (e), (f), and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–437 and 7–1701 through 7–1705 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17.
School Resource Officers”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 26–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–30
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 29 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voter Registration and Absentee Voting – Proof of Citizenship

FOR the purpose of requiring individuals who apply to register to vote after a certain date to submit proof of United States citizenship; providing that individuals who are not citizens of the United States are not qualified to be registered voters; requiring an applicant for voter registration to submit certain documents or information to prove United States citizenship; requiring that a voter registration application not accompanied by proof of citizenship be accepted but prohibiting the applicant from being registered until the applicant submits proof of citizenship; authorizing proof of citizenship to be submitted by certain methods and at certain times; requiring each applicant who is completing a voter registration application to be informed that the applicant must submit proof of citizenship and that the applicant will not be registered until the applicant submits proof of citizenship; authorizing an election director to remove a voter from the statewide voter registration list if the election director verifies that the voter is not a citizen of the United States; requiring certain voters requesting an absentee ballot to submit proof of United States citizenship; requiring that an absentee ballot application not accompanied by proof of citizenship be accepted but prohibiting the applicant from being issued an absentee ballot until the applicant submits proof of citizenship; and generally relating to requiring proof of citizenship for voter registration and absentee voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–102, 3–202, 3–501, and 9–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 3–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 30 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County Public Charter School Program – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Frederick County Public Charter School Program; establishing the Frederick County Public Charter School Board; authorizing an applicant for a certain charter in Frederick County to apply under the Maryland Public Charter School Program or the Frederick County Public Charter School Program; granting the County Council of Frederick County public chartering authority for granting certain charters under certain circumstances; requiring the county council to consult with the Charter School Board regarding certain chartering decisions, but providing that the county council has final decision making authority regarding certain issues; requiring the county council to provide oversight to certain public charter schools; prohibiting the county council from granting certain charters in certain circumstances; authorizing the county council to retain a certain percentage of money to use for the approval and oversight of certain public charter schools; providing that for certain purposes, certain public charter schools are to be considered individual local school systems; providing that certain employees of certain public charter schools are not subject to certain provisions of law regarding collective bargaining; requiring the operators of certain public charter schools to determine certain benefits and working conditions for certain employees; authorizing employees of the operators of certain public charter schools to form certain employee organizations for a certain purpose; requiring the operators of certain public charter schools to negotiate in good faith with certain employee organizations under certain circumstances; providing for the purpose, membership, terms, duties, and chair of the Charter School Board; requiring the County Executive of Frederick County to use certain criteria when making certain appointments to the Charter School Board; prohibiting a person employed by a certain local school system or certain public charter schools to be a member of the Charter School Board; requiring the Charter School Board to be subject to a certain audit; authorizing the Charter School Board to receive certain funds from private contributions as well as certain grants to establish and operate the Charter School Board; requiring the county council to establish a certain charter application process and providing for the content of the application; authorizing certain existing public charter schools to apply for a certain charter under the Program under certain circumstances; providing for the circumstances under which a certain public charter school's charter may be renewed; establishing time periods for submission of new and renewal applications; establishing time periods for decision on an application and appeal of a decision; authorizing certain existing public schools to petition to convert to a public charter school under certain circumstances; requiring the county council and the Frederick County Board of Education to make a certain conversion decision by a certain date; authorizing the county council to revoke the charter of a public charter school under certain circumstances and prohibiting Frederick County public schools from taking on certain debts of a public charter school whose charter has been revoked; requiring the county board to disburse at least a certain percentage of the amount of certain funds provided to certain public schools in Frederick County; requiring the county council and certain public charter schools to make certain annual reports on or before certain dates; exempting certain public charter schools from certain teacher performance evaluation criteria; requiring the Office of Legislative Audits to conduct certain audits of the Charter School Board and certain public charter schools at certain intervals; providing that membership in the

Employees' Pension System is optional for certain employees of the operators of certain public charter schools; requiring certain employees to make a certain election in writing within a certain period of time; providing that a certain election is a one-time irrevocable election; requiring the operators of certain public charter schools to approve participation in the Employees' Pension System; providing that certain employees of the operators of certain public charter schools who become members of the Employees' Pension System after a certain date may not receive certain service credit; providing for the application of this Act; making conforming changes; making clarifying changes; making stylistic changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to charter schools in the State.

BY renumbering

Article – Education

Section 9–101, 9–102, 9–102.1, 9–103, 9–104, 9–105, 9–106, 9–107, 9–108, 9–109, 9–110, 9–111, and 9–112, respectively

to be Section 9–201, 9–101, 9–202, 9–203, 9–204, 9–102, 9–103, 9–104, 9–205, 9–206, 9–207, 9–105, and 9–106, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 6–202(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 9–101, 9–103, and 9–104 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 1. Definitions; General Provisions”; and 9–202 through 9–206 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2. Maryland Public Charter School Program” and the amended title “Title 9. Charter Schools”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 9–301 through 9–313 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Frederick County Public Charter School Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 2–1220(c) and (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 23–201(b)(10) and (11), 31–101(g), 31–102(2)(xxiii) and (xxiv), 31–109, and

31–111(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 23–201(b)(12), 23–204(h), 31–102(2)(xxv), and 31–111.9

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 31 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Elder Abuse or Neglect – Restrictions on Pretrial Release

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant charged with causing abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult in the first or second degree; providing that a judge may authorize the pretrial release of the defendant on certain conditions; requiring the judge to order the continued detention of the defendant if neither suitable bail nor other conditions will reasonably ensure that the defendant will not flee or pose a danger to a certain person or the community before the trial; and generally relating to elder abuse or neglect.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 5–202(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 32 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Bail Bonds – Minimum

FOR the purpose of providing that a surety may not provide a bail bond to a defendant in a circuit court or the District Court for less than a certain percentage of the penalty amount of the bond; and generally relating to bail bonds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 5–203 and 5–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 33 – Delegate Vitale

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

**Housing and Community Development – Community Development Projects and
Public Purpose Projects**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Community Development Administration to obtain approval of the land use for a community development project or a public purpose project by the appropriate governing body in a certain manner; requiring the Administration to provide notice and an opportunity to comment to the appropriate governing body rather than to certain officials; making certain technical changes; and generally relating to community development projects and public purpose projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 34 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Education – Implementation of the Common Core State Standards – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Board of Education and certain county boards of education from establishing certain educational policies, curriculum, and guidelines that include or are based on the Common Core State Standards; prohibiting the State Board from entering into certain agreements or joining certain organizations that give control over educational matters to any entity other than the State; requiring the State Board to take certain steps to rescind the State Board’s adoption of the Common Core State Standards and the State’s membership in a certain organization by a certain date; requiring the State Board to notify the United States Department of Education of its intent to rescind its adoption of the Common Core State Standards by a certain date; and generally relating to prohibiting the implementation of the Common Core State Standards.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 2–205.1 and 4–111.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 7–203(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 35 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

FOR the purpose of changing the job title of “hearing examiners” of the Public Service Commission to “public utility law judges”; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities
Section 2–105(c)(1), 2–108(d)(5) and (8)(ii)6. and (e)(5), 2–303(a), 2–306(b),
2–307(a), 2–308(a), 3–104(a), (b), and (d), 3–108, and 3–113(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 36 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprises – Participation Goal

FOR the purpose of altering a certain participation goal for certain veteran-owned business enterprises for certain procurement contracts; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to procurement participation by veteran-owned small business enterprises.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14-602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 37 – Delegate Schulz**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology

FOR the purpose of altering the name of the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology (CREST); altering the name of the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology Governing Board; altering the powers and duties of the Board to require the Board to operate and exercise general control over the Frederick CREST; authorizing the Board to fix the salaries and terms of employment of the Director and other employees of Frederick CREST; authorizing the Board to purchase, lease, sell, or otherwise acquire or dispose of certain property; authorizing the Director of Frederick CREST or the chair of the Board to execute certain legal documents under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to submit an adopted mission statement to the Maryland Higher Education Committee subject to certain Commission policies and guidelines; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 24-1001, 24-1002, 24-1003(a), and 24-1004
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 38 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

**Crimes – Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Crime – Diminution Credits
and Sentencing**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the earning of diminution credits to reduce the term of confinement of an inmate committed to the custody of the Commissioner of Correction or sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a local correctional facility who is serving a sentence for the use of certain firearms in the commission of certain crimes; clarifying that a court may not impose less than a certain mandatory minimum sentence for the use of certain firearms in the commission of certain crimes; prohibiting a court from suspending any part of a certain mandatory minimum sentence; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the use of a firearm in the commission of a crime.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 3-702 and 11-502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 4-204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 39 – Delegate Schulz

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Identification Requirements – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law requiring certain firearms manufacturers and dealers and the Department of State Police to take certain actions relating to identification of handguns; and generally relating to handgun identification requirements.

BY repealing
Article – Public Safety
Section 5-131

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 140 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 7)

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:50 P.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 15, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 15, 2015

The House met at 10:06 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Joseline A. Pena–Melnik of Prince George’s & Anne Arundel counties.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 133 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 8)

The Journal of January 14, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Afzali – father’s illness

Del. C. Wilson – business

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 40 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Certificate of Merit – Provider of Professional Services

FOR the purpose of requiring the contents of the certificate of a qualified expert to include a statement from a qualified expert that the licensed professional failed to meet a certain standard; making a certain clarifying change; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a certain certificate of merit for certain negligent actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2C–01
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2C–02

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 41 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

**Immunities – Associations, Organizations, and Charities – Liability of Agents
and Volunteers**

FOR the purpose of altering the definitions of “association or organization” and “community association” for purposes of certain provisions of law limiting the civil liability of certain community associations and their agents under certain circumstances; altering certain definitions, for purposes of the Maryland Associations, Organizations, and Agents Act, to include certain former tax exempt entities; providing that certain agents of an association or organization may not be held personally liable for the obligations of the association or organization under certain circumstances; altering certain definitions, for purposes of the Maryland Volunteer Service Act, to include former tax exempt entities; providing that certain volunteers of certain associations or organizations may not be held personally liable for the obligations of the association or organization under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to limiting the civil liability of certain associations, organizations, and charities and their agents and volunteers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–406 and 5–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Remarks by Lt. Governor Anthony G. Brown

Remarks by Governor Martin O’Malley

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 9)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:45 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 16, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 16, 2015

The House met at 11:04 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Keith E. Haynes of Baltimore City.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 135 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 10)

The Journal of January 15, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Afzali – father’s illness

Del. Carr – illness

Del. Cullison – personal – family commitment

Del. Kipke – funeral

Del. Proctor – illness

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 42 – Delegates Rosenberg, Carter, Oaks, Pena–Melnik, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Fair Employment Preservation Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of providing that an employer is liable under certain circumstances in an action concerning a violation of certain provisions of law based on the creation or continuation of a hostile work environment; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to discrimination and retaliation in employment.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 20–610

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 43 – Delegates Rosenberg and Parrott

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Petitions – Prohibited Actions

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from willfully and knowingly preventing, hindering, or delaying another person from signing a petition by certain means; and generally relating to prohibited actions relating to petitions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 16–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 44 – Delegate Luedtke

AN ACT concerning

Special Education – Translations of Individualized Education Programs or Individualized Family Service Plans – Native Language

FOR the purpose of authorizing the parents of a child with a disability to request the translation into their native language of a completed individualized education program or a completed individualized family service plan; requiring certain school personnel to provide the parents with a certain translation of a completed individualized education program or a completed individualized family service plan within a certain time frame; defining certain terms; and generally relating to individualized education programs and individualized family service plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 11)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:19 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, January 19, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, January 19, 2015

The House met at 8:01 P.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Diana M. Fennell of Prince George's County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 132 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 12)

The Journal of January 16, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Impallaria – personal

Del. McMillan – business

Del. Turner – personal

Del. Waldstreicher – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 45 – Delegates Morhaim, Hill, Jalisi, and Lam

AN ACT concerning

**General Provisions – Commemorative Days – National Healthcare Decisions
Day**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain day as National Healthcare Decisions Day; and generally relating to National Healthcare Decisions Day.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions

Section 7–404 through 7–413, respectively

to be Section 7–405 through 7–414, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 46 – Delegates Jones and A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering and clarifying the duties of the Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight; and generally relating to the Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–10A–08
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 47 – Delegates Luedtke, Smith, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Special Education – Loan Assistance Repayment and Paraprofessional Training

FOR the purpose of requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance of the Maryland Higher Education Commission to assist in the repayment of the amount of any higher education loan owed by a public school teacher in the State who has taught in Maryland for a certain number of years as a special education teacher and meets other qualifications; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance to adopt certain regulations that establish priority for participation in the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program for an individual who is employed in a public school as a special education teacher, a speech–language pathologist, or a paraprofessional and meets other qualifications; requiring the State Department of Education to study certain methods and make certain recommendations for improving the training of paraprofessional school employees; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to loan assistance repayment for special education teachers, speech–language pathologists, and paraprofessionals and improving the training of paraprofessionals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–1502 and 18–1503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 48 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Collection of Appearance Fees

FOR the purpose of clarifying that if more than one stockholder, partner, member, or employee of a certain entity engaged in practicing law enters an appearance in an action or a case, the clerk of the circuit court may collect only one appearance fee per entity; clarifying that, if more than one employee of a certain governmental entity enters an appearance in an action or a case, the clerk of the circuit court may collect only one appearance fee per governmental entity; and generally relating to the collection of appearance fees.

BY renumbering
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(b) through (w), respectively to be Section 7–204(c) through (x),
respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 49 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain water and sewer authorities pay a certain fee to the clerk of a certain circuit court to record a lien in a certain lien register; and generally relating to real estate lien registers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–949(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 50 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Active Armed Forces Member – Exemption From Payment of Fees for Certain Court Records

FOR the purpose of requiring a clerk of a court to provide without charge a copy of certain papers or records requested by an active armed forces member or the United States government; requiring a clerk of a court to provide without charge a copy of certain marriage records that are requested under certain circumstances; and generally relating to certain court papers and records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 51 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the surcharge on certain recordable instruments that the State Court Administrator is required to establish for the Circuit Court Real

Property Records Improvement Fund; and generally relating to the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 13–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 52 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Hospital Lien Docket – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the clerks of the circuit courts provide a hospital lien docket; making a conforming change; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to hospital lien dockets.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 16–605
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 53 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Manufactured Homes – Recording of Affidavits of Affixation and Severance – Fees

FOR the purpose of clarifying that certain fees that the clerk of a circuit court may charge for recording an affidavit of affixation or an affidavit of severance for a manufactured home shall be set by the State Court Administrator; and generally relating to recording fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8B–202(e) and 8B–302(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 54 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund – Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Court Administrator to assess a certain surcharge on certain fees, charges, and costs in certain cases in the Court of Appeals, Court of Special Appeals, and circuit courts; requiring the Chief Judge of the District Court to assess a certain surcharge in certain cases; requiring the surcharges to be deposited in the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund; and generally relating to the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–102, 7–202(e) and (f), 7–301(c), and 13–603(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–202(d) and 13–603(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–202(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY ADDRESS

Delegate Alfred C. Carr, Jr.
Montgomery County

Thank you Mr. Speaker:

Good evening distinguished colleagues and guests.

Before I begin, Please give a warm welcome to my family. My wife Barrie and my sons Miles, Toby and Oliver and our friend Doris are in the gallery.

It is a dream come true for me to be able to serve in this chamber with all of you and to represent my constituents.

I want to acknowledge all of the friends, family, and supporters over the years who helped me achieve my dream.

We are going to honor Dr. King tonight by listening to him in his own words and song.

This past summer while sifting through family possessions, visiting my mother in Ohio, I stumbled on a cassette tape. My late grandmother, Dorothy Douglass, had served as the assistant principal at Addison Junior High School in Cleveland. I had heard that she had met Dr. King and recorded his remarks on the occasion when he visited her school and spoke to the assembled 7th, 8th and 9th grade students.

I had been told that she sent the original tape to the King Center archives in Atlanta, but I did not know that she had kept a copy. I made a facebook posting about my finding this 50-year old time capsule. My friend, audio engineer Brian Whitney told me "Don't play it! Bring it to me!" And I thank him for digitizing, preserving and enhancing the sound quality of the tape. No recording of this event is available on the internet. The only places it has been heard is at a few small gatherings of people where I have shared it.

I learned that this school assembly on October 22, 1964 was Dr. King's very first public appearance after being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

Lyndon B. Johnson had been sworn in as president less than a year ago and was on the ballot in the presidential election set for twelve days later. Dr. King and LBJ had partnered on the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1964, which had been signed into law just a few months earlier. King's role in Ohio was that of a barnstorming campaigner working to get out the vote in the largest swing state to ensure their continued partnership. Events a few months later including those in Selma, Alabama culminated in the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

King would return to Cleveland the following year to help elect Carl Stokes, the first African American Mayor of a large US City.

To better understand why my grandmother prized the recording you should know a little bit about her life. Geraldine Dorothy Gordon was born in 1911 to George and his wife Mary. George was an African American who grew up near Hagerstown. Mary was white, a Canadian immigrant of Scottish descent. As an interracial family, they were part of the

black community. Their marriage was legal in Ohio but not in many states including George's home state of Maryland.

Dorothy was the first person in our family to earn a college education. At Kent State University during the great depression, she and the other black students were excluded from living on campus because of their race. After earning a degree in education, she found work as an elevator operator until landing a substitute teaching gig. Teachers in the Cleveland Public Schools were not allowed to be married, so her career was interrupted when she wed my grandfather Carl Douglass, an African American entrepreneur. She resumed her career after my grandfather's passing, and went on to become a distinguished educator serving as a teacher, counselor and assistant principal.

The highlight of Dorothy's career was her work as an administrator of a Ford Foundation program and Project Manager of Transitions helping seventh grade students labelled as troubled. Her peers were amazed at the results she achieved when the students' performance exceeded that of eighth and ninth graders.

As her grandchildren, my sisters and I benefited from Dorothy's high expectations and her willingness to give her time, her presence and her encouragement. But her generosity extended to many other lives that she touched.

Dorothy saved the recording of Dr. King because she knew it was historic and educational, and she wanted it to be shared.

Let's listen.

Dr. King speaks for about ten minutes and the assembly ends with a sing along led by his colleague, future Atlanta Mayor and UN Ambassador Andy Young.

And if you are so moved, please feel free to sing-along.

Thank you.

Delegate B. Robinson moved the Delegate's remarks be journalized.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 13)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:35 P.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 20, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, January 20, 2015

The House met at 10:08 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Jay Walker of Prince George's County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 14)

The Journal of January 19, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. McMillan – business

Del. Waldstreicher – personal

Amendment to House Rule 18

HR0018/163428/1

BY: Delegate Frick

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE RULE 18

ORDERED by the House of Delegates, that House Rule 18(a)(3), as adopted by the House for the 2015 Session be, and it is hereby, repealed and readopted, with amendments, to read as follows:

“18.

(a) (3) [Environmental Matters] ENVIRONMENT AND
TRANSPORTATION;”

The amendment to House Rule 18 was read and adopted.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

House Rule 116

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

We propose with your concurrence a Joint Session of the General Assembly on January 21, 2015 for the purpose of witnessing the Opening of the Certified Election Returns by the Speaker, for the Offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

We have appointed Delegates McComas and A. Washington to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber for this Joint Session.

By Order,

Sylvia Siegert
Chief Clerk

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We have received your message proposing a Joint Session of the General Assembly in the House Chamber on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 10:20 a.m. for the purpose of witnessing the opening of Certified Election Returns by the Speaker, for the Offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

We respectfully concur in your message.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We respectfully invite your Honorable Body to be present in the Senate Chamber at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 21, 2015, to participate with us in the Inauguration of the Governor–elect, the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan and the Lieutenant Governor–elect, the Honorable Boyd K. Rutherford, as well as to witness the administration of the Oath of Office to them by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution and the Laws of the State.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate, a committee consisting of Senators King and Edwards, who will wait upon your Honorable Body at 11:30 a.m., and conduct you to the Senate Chamber, where Members of the House will remain standing while the Governor–elect and the Lieutenant Governor–elect take the oath of office.

We propose also, with your concurrence, the appointment of a Committee of eight, four on the part of the House and four on the part of the Senate, to escort the Governor–elect and the Lieutenant Governor–elect to the Senate Chamber for the purpose of being sworn in by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals. After the administration of the Oath, the Committee will escort the Governor to the Executive Offices.

The Committee will at 12:30 p.m. escort the Governor to the West Portico of the State House, where his Inaugural Address will be delivered.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate for this Committee, Senators Pugh and Jennings to escort the Governor; and, Senators Klausmeier and Shank to escort the Lieutenant Governor.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received and accept your Invitation to attend the Inaugural Ceremonies in the Senate Chamber on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 11:30 AM.

We concur with your message for the appointment of a committee of eight, four on the part of the House and four on the part of the Senate, to escort the Governor–elect and the Lieutenant Governor–elect to the Senate Chamber, and, at 12:30 PM to the Northwest Portico of the State House where his Inaugural Address will be delivered.

We have appointed on the part of the House, Delegates Kipke and Kaiser to escort the Governor–elect; and, Delegates Szeliga and Branch to escort the Lieutenant Governor–elect.

By Order,

Sylvia Siegert
Chief Clerk

Read and adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 139 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 15)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:23 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 21, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 21, 2015

The House met at 10:04 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Justin Ready of Carroll County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 17)

The Journal of January 20, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Kelly – illness

Del. Kipke – late – meeting with Governor

Del. Vallario – business

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 55 – Delegates O’Donnell, Fisher, Jackson, Morgan, and Rey

AN ACT concerning

Calvert and St. Mary’s Counties – Archery Hunting – Safety Zone

FOR the purpose of establishing for archery hunters in Calvert and St. Mary’s counties a safety zone of a certain size within which archery hunting may not take place except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to archery hunting in Calvert and St. Mary’s counties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–410(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 56 – Delegates Reznik, Aumann, Barkley, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gutierrez, Healey, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morhaim, Pena–Melnik, Pendergrass, Platt, Rosenberg, Sophocleus, M. Washington, West, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Tanning Devices – Use by Minors – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain owners, employees, and operators of tanning facilities from allowing minors to use tanning devices; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to tanning devices.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 20–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 57 – Delegates Reznik, Barkley, Kaiser, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, Moon, Morhaim, Platt, Rosenberg, Stein, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

University System of Maryland – Pay It Forward Pilot Program and Tuition Freeze – Studies

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to study the creation of a potential Pay It Forward Pilot Program; requiring the study to consider certain items; requiring the Board of Regents to study whether public institutions of higher education could successfully implement a certain tuition freeze program; requiring the Board of Regents to report its findings and recommendations on the potential Pay It Forward Pilot Program and the potential tuition freeze program to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to studies by the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 58 – Delegates Reznik, Lierman, Morhaim, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Members of Boards and Advisory Committees –
Prohibition Against Concurrent Service**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an individual from serving concurrently as a member of a health occupations board or a certain advisory committee and as an elected officer of a certain professional association; defining certain terms; and generally relating to members of health occupations boards and advisory committees.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–222
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 59 – Delegates Reznik, Buckel, Ebersole, Kipke, Lierman, Luedtke, Morhaim, S. Robinson, Valderrama, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Gaming – Home Games

FOR the purpose of allowing a person to conduct a home game that is a game of chance or skill involving wagering that is conducted in a person’s home and allows a player to compete directly against one or more other players; prohibiting a person from conducting a home game involving a player’s use of an electronic device that connects to the Internet; prohibiting a person from benefiting financially in any way, directly or indirectly, other than from the winnings accrued by participating as a player in a home game; and generally relating to gaming.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–102(a) and 13–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 60 – Delegates McIntosh, Anderson, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Baltimore Jewelry Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Baltimore Jewelry

Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 61 – Delegates O’Donnell and Fisher

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Single Registration Plate

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue a single registration plate to all classes of vehicles; providing for the method of attachment of the registration plate; making certain conforming changes, a certain stylistic change, and a certain technical correction; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland to make certain corrections; and generally relating to vehicle registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–410 and 13–411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 62 – Delegates O’Donnell and Fisher

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Displaying Front Registration Plate – Exemption for Class L (Historic) and Class N (Street Rod) Vehicles

FOR the purpose of exempting Class L (historic) vehicles and Class N (street rod) vehicles from the requirement to display two registration plates if the front registration plate is stored in a certain manner inside the vehicle; making technical changes; and generally relating to vehicle registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–411(a) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 63 – Delegate O’Donnell

AN ACT concerning

Presidential Elections – Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote – Repeal

FOR the purpose of rescinding the State’s consent to enter into the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote and repealing the statutory provisions reciting the Agreement; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the nomination of presidential electors; specifying that presidential electors in the State continue to be elected at large by the voters of the entire State and not in accordance with the procedure outlined in the Agreement; specifying that presidential electors cast their votes for the candidates for President and Vice President who received a plurality of the votes cast in the State and not as defined under the Agreement; repealing a certain contingency relating to the State’s entry into the Agreement; and generally relating to the repeal of the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 8–503 through 8–505

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapters 43 and 44 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007)

BY repealing

Article – Election Law

Section 8–5A–01 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5A. Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Chapter 43 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007

Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 44 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007

Section 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 64 – Delegates Vitale, Beidle, Carey, Chang, McConkey, and Sophocleus

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Local Licensing Boards – Judicial Review

FOR the purpose of extending the time within which a court may affirm, modify, or reverse a decision by a local alcoholic beverages licensing board on whether to approve, suspend, revoke, or restrict a license; and generally relating to the judicial review of decisions by local alcoholic beverages licensing boards.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 16–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 16–101(e)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 65 – Delegates Vitale, Serafini, Chang, Frush, Krebs, McConkey,
Pena–Melnyk, Saab, and Sophocleus**

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maintenance of Effort – Lease Payment Exclusion

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain county governing bodies to exclude certain lease payments made by a county board of education from the maintenance of effort calculation under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to maintenance of effort funding.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(d)(1) through (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 66 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Human Services – No Wrong Door Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the No Wrong Door Pilot Program in the Department of Human Resources; specifying the purpose, goals, and duties of the Program; requiring the Department to administer the Program, to develop requirements for grant applications, and, in consultation with stakeholders, to develop certain criteria for the evaluation of grant applications; requiring the Department to review grant applications and award grants based on certain evaluation criteria and to track and assess Program outcomes; authorizing the Department, beginning on a certain date, to award grants to private or public entities under the Program; requiring each grantee under the Program annually to report certain information to the Department; requiring certain units of the State annually to provide the Department with information regarding the number of individuals and families connected to services through each grantee; requiring the Department annually to convene the grantees under the Program for a certain symposium; requiring the Department annually to report certain information and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly; authorizing the Department to adopt regulations to carry out certain provisions of law; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget for certain fiscal years a certain appropriation for the Program; providing for the termination of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the No Wrong Door Pilot Program.

BY adding to

Article – Human Services

Section 6–801 through 6–809 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. No Wrong Door Pilot Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 67 – The Speaker and Delegates Barve, Davis, Hammen, Hixson, McIntosh, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that require certain State agencies to submit certain reports to the General Assembly that are deemed obsolete, duplicative, impractical, inefficient, or otherwise unnecessary; altering certain provisions of law that require certain State agencies to submit certain reports to the General Assembly; combining certain reporting requirements for certain programs with another more extensive annual report required to be submitted by a certain department; providing that, in the year immediately preceding the beginning of a term of the General Assembly, the Department of Legislative Services, in

consultation with other State agencies, shall review the laws of the State and make recommendations to the presiding officers of the General Assembly for the introduction of legislation to repeal or modify laws of the State that require the agencies to submit certain reports at certain times and on certain matters to the General Assembly or Governor; and generally relating to reports to the General Assembly by certain State agencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–901(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–704(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–1006(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 2–123, 4–216(c)(3) and (d), 6–529(a), and 14–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Economic Development
Section 3–404(e), 5–315, 5–419, 5–512(c)(4), 5–555(h), and 6–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Economic Development
Section 3–404(e), 5–315, 5–419, 5–512(c)(4), 5–555(h), and 6–307
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–106(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 2–1107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 9–351
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–1309(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 10–207, 13–1002(g), 13–1004(d), 13–1102(h), 13–1104, 13–2105,
13–2504, and 19–310.1(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1013(a) and (b) and 13–21A–02(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1013(h), 13–21A–02(i), 15–102.4(e), and 15–124.2(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development

Section 4–215
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Human Services
Section 6–708
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 10–208(f) and 10–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11–326 and 14–102(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 5–608, 9–312, 10–219(b), and 10–320(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–422(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 1–104(e), 1–706(a), 4–210(h), 4–210.1(d), 4–746, 5–103(h), 5–307(j),
5–1613, 8–1808.1(e)(4), and 8–2103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–3A–04, 4–2A–04(g), and 8–1808.1(e)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 5–7B–09(d) and 5A–403(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–314(g) and (j), 7–317(h), and 17–204(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–317(a) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 2–506(b), 2–10A–03(f), 2–10A–13(f), 6–406(b), and 9–1405(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing

Article – State Government
Section 2–10A–07
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 2–1209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–104(e)(3) and 21–123(g)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–108(a)(4), 21–125.1, and 21–128(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–721(g)(1), 10–725(h)(1), 10–732(f), and 10–733(i)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–721(g)(1), 10–725(h)(1), 10–732(f), and 10–733(i)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–730(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–102(d)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 6–201.2(c), 8–309(e), and 8–613

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Transportation

Section 6–210

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Transportation

Section 23–203(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Chapter 674 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1983, as amended by Chapter 533 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1984 and Chapter 646 and Chapter 741 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1987

Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 791 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1984
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 640 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1991
Section 4

BY repealing

Chapter 111 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994, as amended by Chapter
471 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
Section 5

BY repealing

Chapter 112 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994, as amended by Chapter
471 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
Section 5

BY repealing

Chapter 414 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994
Section 2

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 584 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 597 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 96 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1996
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 294 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
Section 5

BY repealing

Chapter 692 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 77 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001
Section 4

BY repealing

Chapter 103 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001, as amended by Chapter 46 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006
Section 12

BY repealing

Chapter 685 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001, as amended by Chapter 443 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 453 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002, as amended by Chapter 203 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 84 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter 283 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 206 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 551 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 368 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 397 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 30

BY repealing

Chapter 617 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

JOINT SESSION

Delegates McComas and A. Washington escorted the Senate into the House Chamber.

President Miller called for the Senate Roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 34A)

Speaker Busch called for the House Roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See House Roll Call No. 18)

A majority of both the House and the Senate being present, Speaker Busch declared both bodies in Joint Session.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFIED ELECTION RETURNS

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

(See Exhibit A of Appendix II)

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE FROM STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

(See Exhibit B of Appendix II)

Read and ordered journalized.

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS – NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GUBERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION – OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

(See Exhibit C of Appendix II)

Read and ordered journalized.

Senator Pugh moved the Senate be adjourned.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 19)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:27 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 22, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 22, 2015

The House met at 10:04 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Kevin B. Hornberger of Cecil County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 133 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 20)

The Journal of January 21, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Carr – illness

Del. Kelly – illness

Del. Vallario – business

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 68 – The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset Extension
and Program Evaluation**

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by repealing the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators.

BY repealing

Article – Health Occupations

Section 9–502

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(37)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 69 – Delegates Fisher and O’Donnell

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Personal Property Tax – Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting from the Calvert County property tax certain personal property purchased by businesses during a certain period; exempting certain personal property from the Calvert County property tax beginning on a certain date; providing that certain personal property remains subject to the Calvert County property tax; providing that certain personal property that is subject to a payment in lieu of taxes agreement shall be subject to the Calvert County property tax on the termination of the agreement; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an exemption from the Calvert County personal property tax.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Senate Bill 4 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Gaming Events

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations in Carroll County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or casino event under certain circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a certain permit from the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County before conducting a card game, card tournament, or casino event; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet certain requirements; specifying that a card game, card tournament, or casino event may be managed and operated by certain organizations; prohibiting an operator of a card game, card tournament, or casino event from receiving certain compensation; requiring a certain volunteer or player in a card game, card tournament, or casino event to be of a certain age; specifying that a permit holder may receive a certain maximum number of permits in a calendar year; providing a certain time limit on a card game, card tournament, or casino event; specifying that a permit is not transferable; requiring that proceeds from a card game, card tournament, or casino event be used for certain purposes and may not be used for other purposes; specifying a certain exception; specifying that the operation of a card game, card tournament, or casino event may not occur after a certain time on Sunday; authorizing a permit holder under this Act to charge only a preset entrance fee; requiring participants in a card game, card tournament, or casino event to use tokens and not cash for wagering under certain circumstances; prohibiting a permit holder from exchanging tokens under certain circumstances; requiring a permit holder to submit a financial report to the Carroll County Sheriff's Office under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gaming in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–906
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–906.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 135 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 21)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:43 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 23, 2015.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 23, 2015**

The House met at 11:01 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Pamela Beidle of Anne Arundel County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 131 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 22)

The Journal of January 22, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. C. Howard – business – New York

Del. McDonough – illness

Del. Patterson – illness

Del. C. Wilson – illness

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 70 – The Speaker and the President (By Request – Administration)

Budget Bill

(Fiscal Year 2016)

AN ACT for the purpose of making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; and generally relating to appropriations and budgetary provisions made pursuant to that section.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 71 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2015,
and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2004, 2005, 2008, 2009,**

2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of One Billion, Sixty–Eight Million, Five Hundred Forty–Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,068,545,000), 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 requirements that certain matching funds be provided and expended by certain dates; providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan; imposing a certain tax on all assessable property in the State; making a certain Watershed Implementation Plan appropriation contingent on the failure of certain legislation; authorizing the creation of State Debt in certain years to be used for certain purposes; requiring that certain grantees convey certain easements under certain circumstances to the Maryland Historical Trust; authorizing certain grantees to appeal certain determinations by the Maryland Historical Trust or the Director to the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees; providing that a certain decision by the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees is final and not subject to administrative or judicial review; providing that the proceeds of certain loans must be expended or encumbered by a certain date; authorizing certain unexpended appropriations in certain prior capital budgets and bond loans to be expended for other public projects; altering certain requirements for certain programs in certain prior capital budgets and bond loans; providing that the authorizations of State Debt in certain prior capital budgets and bond loans be reduced by certain amounts; requiring that certain projects be constructed at certain locations; repealing certain requirements for certain appropriations; requiring the Comptroller to make certain transfers, adjustments, and reconciliations; repealing certain Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan Preauthorization acts; making certain technical corrections; providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the financing of certain capital projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 432 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter 445 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005
Section 1(3) Item DE02.01(B)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 432 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 1(3) Item UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 432 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter 445 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005, Chapter 46 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006, Chapter 488 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008, Chapter 485

of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, and Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 445 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, and Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(3) Item UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008

Section 1(3) Item UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008, as amended by Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(3) Item KA05(B)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009

Section 1(3) Item DE02.01(B), ML01(A), and UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010

Section 1(3) Item RC00(A) and 12(3) Item RM00(E)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(3) Item DH01(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 12(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013 and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(3) Item KA05(C)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010

Section 1(3) Item QB08.01(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, as amended by Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011

Section 1(3) Item RM00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, as amended by Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, as amended by Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012

Section 1(3) Item KA05(C)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011

Section 1(3) Item KA05(C) and RB31(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012

Section 1(3) Item ZA00(M)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012 and Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012

Section 1(3) Item KA05(B), MM06(C), PA13.01(A), and RB23(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter 430 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(3) Item ZA01(F)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1) and (3) Item DE02.01(D) and RM00(D)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(3) Item KA05(B), RM00(B), UA04(A) and (B), UB00(A), ZA00(P), and ZA02(M)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, as amended by Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1) and (3) Item DH01.04(A), KA05(B), UB00(A), and ZA00(B) and (AF)

BY repealing

Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 72 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing or altering the distribution of certain revenue; altering or repealing certain required appropriations; authorizing the use of certain funds for

certain purposes; repealing a certain requirement for a certain notice relating to abandoned property to be published in certain newspapers; requiring the Comptroller to maintain an abandoned property database containing the names and last known addresses, if any, of persons listed in certain reports; requiring the Comptroller to maintain a certain Internet Web site relating to the abandoned property database; requiring the Comptroller to publish certain notices on a certain Internet Web site; altering the time period by which the Maryland Agricultural and Resource–Based Industry Development Corporation is to become self–sufficient and in no further need of certain operating support; altering the date for requiring the establishment of a certain library; altering the method for calculating certain income tax disparity grants; providing that certain payments in certain fiscal years be based on certain revenues; repealing the State Police Helicopter Replacement Fund; altering a certain provision that authorizes a certain refund to make it applicable to State residents only; altering the amount of certificates for certain tax credits that the Secretary of Business and Economic Development may issue; altering the date by which the Governor is required to reduce a certain assessment by a certain amount; clarifying language regarding a certain appropriation; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to enact certain policies to achieve certain savings for certain fiscal years; setting certain limits on increases in payments to certain providers for a certain fiscal year; prohibiting the payment of certain merit increases or cost–of–living adjustments for certain State employees, except under certain circumstances; providing that certain payments be deposited into the General Fund for certain fiscal years; providing for the transfer of certain funds; setting certain limits on increases on certain required appropriations; requiring that on or before a certain date the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene make adjustments to certain rates; providing for a certain reimbursement under certain circumstances; altering the definition of certain terms; defining a certain term; making the provisions of this Act severable; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the financing of State and local government.

BY repealing

Article – Commercial Law
Section 17–311(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law
Section 17–311(a), (b), and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Commercial Law
Section 17–311(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 10–523(a)(3)(i) and (c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 5–202(a)(13)(ii), (iii), and (iv) and (k)(5), 16–305(c)(1)(i), 17–104(a)(1),
23–108(a), 23–205(c), (d), and (e), and 23–503(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 5–202(a)(13)(v) and (vi), 16–305(c)(1)(iii) and (iv), and 17–104(a)(2) and (3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 16–305(c)(1)(iii) and (iv) and 17–104(a)(2) and (3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 2–302(b)(3) and 7–307(d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General

Section 13–1116(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 13–1116(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 31–107.2(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 16–501(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 16–501(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–212(g)(2) and 8–709(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Public Safety
Section 2–801 and the subtitle “Subtitle 8. State Police Helicopter Replacement
Fund”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 4–506(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–311(j)(1) and 7–325(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–1302.1(b), 10–704(b)(2)(i), 10–730(f)(1), and 10–733(f)(3)(iv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–209(f)(2) and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–209(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–613.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 397 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter
425 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 464 of the Acts
of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 16

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 73 – Delegates Rosenberg, Hixson, C. Howard, Kaiser, Luedtke,
A. Miller, Platt, S. Robinson, and Walker**

AN ACT concerning

Voters' Rights Protection Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Attorney General to institute an action in a circuit court for injunctive relief to prohibit a person from engaging in or continuing to engage in certain violations of election law; providing that injunctive relief may be granted under this Act only to prevent certain violations of election law from affecting a pending election; requiring a circuit court to hear and determine an action filed under this Act as soon as practicable; providing that the grant of a remedy under this Act does not preclude any other remedy available under State or federal law; providing that a circuit court shall have jurisdiction over any proceeding instituted under this Act; requiring a circuit court to exercise its jurisdiction without regard to

whether a person asserting a right under this Act has exhausted any other remedy available under law; and generally relating to election law violations related to voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 16–201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 16–1003

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 74 – Delegates Rosenberg, Serafini, Tarlau, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Walter Sondheim Jr. Public Service Internship Scholarship Program – Expansion of Scope

FOR the purpose of altering the name of the Walter Sondheim Jr. Public Service Summer Internship Scholarship Program to be the Walter Sondheim Jr. Public Service Internship Scholarship Program; expanding the scope of the Program to include fall and spring public service internships; specifying the dates that scholarship awards must be made for spring, summer, and fall internships; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Walter Sondheim Jr. Public Service Internship Scholarship Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–1701, 18–1702, and 18–1704 to be under the amended subtitle
“Subtitle 17. Walter Sondheim Jr. Public Service Internship Scholarship
Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 75 – Calvert County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Calvert County – Board of License Commissioners – Notice and Hearing on
Proposed Legislation**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Calvert County Board of License Commissioners, before submitting a legislative proposal to the Calvert County Delegation for introduction as a bill in a session of the General Assembly, to post notice of the proposal and hold a public hearing on the proposal at least a certain amount of time before the start of the General Assembly session; and generally relating to legislative proposals concerning alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–112(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–112(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 76 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Accumulated Contributions of
Nonvested Former Members**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain accumulated contributions of certain nonvested former members to be transferred into a certain fund; making conforming changes; and generally relating to accumulated contributions of nonvested former members of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–303(a) and 21–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 77 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**Judges' Retirement System – Membership, Accrual of Interest, and
Reemployment**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that regular interest may not be paid on member contributions of certain members of the Judges' Retirement System under certain circumstances; providing that membership in the Judges' Retirement System for certain members ends under certain circumstances; repealing a limitation on when a member may withdraw accumulated contributions from the Judges' Retirement System; repealing a duplicative provision pertaining to the withdrawal of accumulated contributions from the Judges' Retirement System; clarifying that certain retirees of the Judges' Retirement System are required to have a certain break in service before obtaining certain employment; repealing obsolete language pertaining to the reemployment of retired former members of the Judges' Retirement System; making conforming changes; and generally relating to membership, accrual of interest, and reemployment in the Judges' Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 27–203, 27–204, 27–405, and 27–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 78 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Noncontributory Pension Benefit –
Definition**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the definition of “noncontributory pension benefit”, as it relates to the State Retirement and Pension System, does not include the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit; and generally relating to the definition of “noncontributory pension benefit” for the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 20–101(aa–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 79 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Officers' Retirement System – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the positions eligible for membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to include certain individuals who elect to transfer from the Employees' Retirement System; clarifying that certain individuals who do not elect to transfer are not members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; authorizing certain individuals to cease membership in the Employees' Retirement System and enroll in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; authorizing certain individuals to transfer service credit from the Employees' Retirement System to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; requiring an individual who elects to transfer membership and service credit to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to make that election on a form provided by the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System; requiring service credit transferred to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System under this Act to be transferred in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring the Executive Director of the State Retirement Agency to grant a certain waiver if it is necessary to implement a certain transfer of service credit; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 25–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 80 – Delegates Carr, Gutierrez, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Warner Manor

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 81 – Delegate Krebs

AN ACT concerning

**Ethics Commission, Judicial Ethics Committee, and Joint Ethics Committee –
Duties**

FOR the purpose of providing that the Judicial Ethics Committee rather than the Commission on Judicial Disabilities shall administer and implement certain provisions of law that apply to State officials of the Judicial Branch; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to duties of the Ethics Commission, Joint Ethics Committee, and Judicial Ethics Committee.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 5–104 and 5–819

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 82 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Free–Play Pinball Machines – Placement Restrictions –
Repeal
MC 2–15**

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law that prohibits, in Montgomery County, more than two free–play pinball machines that are not in locked storage and are available for public use from being kept on the same floor of a building; and generally relating to free–play pinball machines in Montgomery County.

BY repealing

Article – Business Regulation

Section 17–416

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 83 – Delegate Krebs

AN ACT concerning

Public Records – Inspection

FOR the purpose of clarifying that an official custodian is required to make a certain designation and maintain a certain list concerning the availability of public records; repealing the prohibition against a certain applicant obtaining a copy of a judgment until a certain time; and generally relating to the inspection of public records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–201 and 4–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 84 – Delegate Krebs

AN ACT concerning

Annotated Code of Maryland – Captions and Catchlines – Interpretation

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a caption or catchline accompanying a section or subsection of law is to be interpreted in a certain manner unless otherwise provided by law; and generally relating to the interpretation of captions and catchlines in the Annotated Code of Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 1–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 85 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County – Board of Education – Primary Election Ballots MC 6–15

FOR the purpose of requiring that the name of each candidate seeking election to the Montgomery County Board of Education appear on the primary election ballot if the number of candidates seeking election to the county board is equal to or less than the number of nominations available in a primary election; and generally relating to primary election ballots for the Montgomery County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education

Section 3–901(b) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–901(f)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 8–801
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 86 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County Board of Education – Student Member – Voting MC 7–15

FOR the purpose of authorizing the student member of the Montgomery County Board of Education to attend an executive session of the Board of Education that relates to a certain matter; authorizing the student member of the Montgomery County Board of Education to vote on certain matters; and generally relating to the voting rights of the student member of the Montgomery County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–901(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 6–202(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 87 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Montgomery County – Warrant Intercept
Program
MC 8–15**

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Montgomery County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Montgomery County; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 88 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Wine Containers
MC 19–15**

FOR the purpose of establishing a refillable wine container permit in Montgomery County; authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners to issue the permit to a holder of a license that entitles the holder to sell wine for off-premises consumption; specifying that the permit authorizes the permit holder to sell wine for consumption off the licensed premises in a refillable container; specifying certain standards that a refillable container must meet; specifying that the term and hours of sale of the permit are the same as that of the underlying license; authorizing the Comptroller to adopt certain standards regarding refillable containers; authorizing a permit holder to refill a refillable container originating from inside or outside the State if the container meets certain standards; requiring the Board to issue the permit at no cost to the applicant; and generally relating to refillable wine container permits in Montgomery County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–216.6

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 89 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class BD–BWL License
MC 18–15**

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class BD–BWL alcoholic beverages license in Montgomery County; providing that the license authorizes the sale of beer and wine for consumption on or off the licensed premises and the sale of liquor for consumption only on the licensed premises; authorizing a holder of a Class BD–BWL license to hold a certain other license; authorizing a license holder to hold not more than a certain number of Class BD–BWL licenses; specifying the hours of sale; setting an annual license fee; and generally relating to Class BD–BWL licenses in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–201(q)(1)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(q)(7)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 90 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Waiver of License Requirements MC 17–15

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive certain registered voter and residency requirements for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license if the application is made for a partnership; authorizing the Board, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive certain registered voter, taxpayer, and residency requirements for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license if the application is made for a certain corporation or club; authorizing the Board, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive certain registered voter, taxpayer, and residency requirements for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license if the application is made for a limited liability company; authorizing the Board, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive a certain residency requirement for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license; requiring the Board to obtain certain criminal records of an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license from a certain local police department under certain circumstances; and generally relating to waivers of requirements for alcoholic beverages licenses in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–101(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–101(a)(2)(i), (b)(1), and (c)(1) and 10–103(b)(4) and (13)(iv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 91 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Laytonsville
MC 12–15**

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions relating to the issuance, renewal, and transfer of certain Class H (on–sale) beer and light wine, hotel and restaurant licenses for use in Laytonsville in Montgomery County; authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners to issue, renew, and transfer a certain number of Class B (on–sale) beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Laytonsville, subject to a certain requirement; and generally relating to the issuance of alcoholic beverages licenses in Laytonsville.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–216(a) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–216(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 92 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wine Auction Permits
MC 9–15**

FOR the purpose of repealing a prohibition against the issuance of a wine auction permit in Montgomery County; authorizing a holder of a wine auction permit to receive and sell wine obtained from certain sources; and generally relating to wine auction permits in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–101(o) and 15–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 93 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – 1–Day License for Schools, Places
of Worship, and Youth Centers
MC 10–15**

FOR the purpose of specifying that restrictions on the issuance of a license to sell alcoholic beverages within a certain distance of a secondary or elementary school, a place of worship, or a certain youth center do not apply to the issuance of a 1–day special license for use on the premises of a secondary or elementary school, place of worship, or certain youth center; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–216(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 94 – Delegate B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Commission on African American History and Culture – Duties

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Commission on African American History and Culture to provide operational funding to certain museums; and generally relating to the duties of the Commission on African American History and Culture.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9.5–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9.5–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 95 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**City of Gaithersburg – Licensed Alcoholic Beverages Restaurants – Distance
from Churches or Other Places of Worship
MC 23–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners by unanimous vote to approve an application for a Class B beer, wine and liquor license for a restaurant located in the City of Gaithersburg in Montgomery County that meets certain requirements, including a requirement concerning the distance of the restaurant from a church or other place of worship; specifying that the Class B beer, wine and liquor license authorizes the license holder to keep for sale and sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises only; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in the City of Gaithersburg in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–216
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 96 – Delegates Hammen, Clippinger, and Lierman

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Banner Neighborhoods Community
Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Banner Neighborhoods Community Corporation, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 97 – Delegates Rosenberg, Carter, and Oaks

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Window Tinting Restrictions – Medical Exemption for Vehicle Owner’s Family

FOR the purpose of expanding the medical necessity exemption from the prohibition against operating a certain vehicle with certain window tinting to apply the exemption to a member of the vehicle owner’s immediate family; clarifying language; and generally relating to window tinting in vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 22–406(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 98 – Delegate Pendergrass

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Orders of Summary Suspension – Prohibition on Stays

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a stay if a person notes an appeal from an order of summary suspension by the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–319(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–320
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 99 – Delegates Hixson, B. Barnes, Branch, Kaiser, Luedtke, Smith, Turner, Vaughn, and Walker

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Retirement Income of Law
Enforcement, Correctional Officer, Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Services
Personnel
(Hometown Heroes)**

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax under certain circumstances for certain retirement income attributable to a resident's employment as a law enforcement or correctional officer or the individual's service as fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain retirement income attributable to a resident's employment as a law enforcement or correctional officer or the individual's service as fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 100 – Delegate Hammen

AN ACT concerning

Developmental Disabilities Administration – Medicaid Fair Hearings

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide notice and an opportunity for a Medicaid fair hearing to certain applicants and recipients of Developmental Disabilities Administration Medicaid waiver services; and generally relating to Developmental Disabilities Administration hearings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 7–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 101 – Delegate Anderson

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City School Police Force – Carrying of Firearms – Scope

FOR the purpose of authorizing a Baltimore City school police officer to carry a firearm on certain premises of certain public schools and certain other property used for a certain purpose; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the carrying of firearms by the Baltimore City school police force.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–318(a) through (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–318(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 102 – Delegates Dumais and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Civil Action – Wrongfully Selling or Furnishing Alcoholic Beverages

FOR the purpose of providing that a civil action for certain damages may be brought against an alcoholic beverages licensee or the licensee’s employee who sold or furnished under certain circumstances alcoholic beverages to an individual who was under the influence of alcoholic beverages and who negligently drove or attempted to drive a motor vehicle after consuming the alcoholic beverages; requiring a trier of fact to determine whether a wrongful sale or furnishing of alcoholic beverages was a proximate cause of certain damages; providing for a certain standard of proof; establishing that an action may not be brought under this Act by certain individuals; providing for the admissibility of certain evidence; providing for a certain period of limitations for bringing an action under this Act; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain civil liability for wrongfully selling or furnishing alcoholic beverages under certain circumstances.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2101 through 3–2105 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Wrongful Sale or Furnishing of Alcoholic Beverages”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 103 – Delegate S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake Bay Trust – Restrictions on Investments – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain restrictions on investments of money of the Chesapeake Bay Trust; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the Chesapeake Bay Trust.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1909
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 104 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Transit Authority
MC 24–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Montgomery County to create, by local law, a Transit Authority to perform county transit functions as an instrumentality of the county and body corporate and politic and governed by a certain board; authorizing the governing body, by local law, to create a special taxing district to finance the cost of county transit functions, impose a certain special tax, specify the organization of the Transit Authority, specify certain powers of the Transit Authority, establish a certain budget process for the Transit Authority, and specify certain other matters related to the Transit Authority; providing that provisions of the Montgomery County Charter do not apply to the Transit Authority except under certain circumstances; providing that a certain tax limitation does not apply to certain revenue raised for certain purposes; authorizing the Transit Authority to provide for the issuance of certain revenue bonds for certain purposes, subject to certain conditions and exempt from certain provisions of law; providing for the tax exempt status of certain bonds; providing for reversion of certain title to property under certain circumstances; declaring the Transit Authority to be a “constituted authority” for certain purposes; authorizing the governing body to

transfer certain county transit functions to the Transit Authority; requiring the governing body to provide by local law certain provisions relating to certain employees under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Department of Transportation to grant to the Transit Authority certain rights; requiring that the Transit Authority be entitled to receive certain funds under certain circumstances; requiring the Transit Authority to be subject to the Montgomery County Public Ethics Law; defining certain terms; altering the definition of “local government” as it relates to the Local Government Tort Claims Act; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the creation of a Transit Authority for Montgomery County.

BY adding to

Article – Local Government
Section 21–703
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–301(d)(28) and (29)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–301(d)(30)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 105 – Delegates Anderson, Barron, Branch, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Cullison, Fennell, Fraser-Hidalgo, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Hixson, Jackson, Kelly, Lierman, Luedtke, McCray, McIntosh, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Turner, Valderrama, Vaughn, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Drug Paraphernalia Possession With Marijuana – Civil Offense

FOR the purpose of altering the penalty for the possession or use of certain drug paraphernalia involving the use or possession of less than a certain quantity of marijuana; making the use or possession of certain drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances a civil offense; establishing that a person who violates this Act may be issued a certain citation; requiring the court to summon a certain person to appear

in court under certain circumstances; requiring a court to order certain persons to attend a certain program, refer the person to a certain assessment, and refer the person to a certain treatment, if necessary; authorizing a police officer to issue a certain citation under certain circumstances; establishing that a certain violation of this Act is not a criminal conviction and does not impose any of the civil disabilities that may result from a criminal conviction; establishing certain requirements for a citation issued under this Act; providing that persons who receive a certain citation may pay the civil penalty or may elect to stand trial in the District Court; requiring a civil penalty collected under this Act to be remitted to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department to use certain money for certain purposes; providing that a minor who violates certain provisions of this Act is subject to certain procedures and dispositions; prohibiting a certain citation for a violation of certain provisions of this Act from being subject to public inspection or included on a certain public Web site; authorizing a certain law enforcement officer to issue a citation to a child for a violation of a certain provision of this Act under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; and generally relating to penalties for possession of drug paraphernalia with marijuana.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–01(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–01(dd), 3–8A–33(a), and 7–302(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601.1, 5–619, and 5–620
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 5–212
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 106 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law – Adoption of
Local Ordinance
MC 11–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Montgomery County to adopt a certain ordinance to prohibit littering and to impose certain criminal and civil penalties; and generally relating to the Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–110(f)(1), (2), and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–110(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 107 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Medical Professional Liability Insurance for Nonprofit Health Care Providers
MC 4–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring counties to provide certain minimum amounts of medical professional liability insurance coverage for certain nonprofit health care providers; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to medical professional liability insurance for certain nonprofit health care providers.

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 19–104.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 108 – Delegates Luedtke and Frush

AN ACT concerning

Tobacco Taxes – Healthy Maryland Initiative

FOR the purpose of altering certain fees for licenses for tobacco manufacturers, retailers, and storage warehouses; altering certain fees for licenses for other tobacco products manufacturers, retailers, tobacconists, and storage warehouses; requiring a certain level of funding for the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program; altering the tobacco tax rates on cigarettes and other tobacco products; requiring certain wholesalers of cigarettes and other tobacco products to report the amount of other tobacco products sold on a tobacco tax return; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to file a certain tax return and pay tobacco taxes due on sales; altering the discount allowed on tax stamps to a licensed wholesaler of cigarettes; requiring a person to obtain a certain permit before selling and shipping pipe tobacco or premium cigars directly to a consumer in the State; requiring an applicant for a direct tobacco shipper's permit to submit certain information and pay a certain fee; requiring the Comptroller to issue a direct tobacco shipper's permit to an applicant who meets certain requirements; establishing the term of a direct tobacco shipper's permit; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to label packages with certain information; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to report certain information quarterly to the Comptroller; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to maintain certain records for a certain period of time; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to consent to the jurisdiction of the Comptroller and allow audits of the direct tobacco shipper's records; establishing the criteria and fee for the renewal of a direct tobacco shipper's permit; requiring a consumer receiving a direct shipment of certain tobacco to be at least a certain age; prohibiting the resale of a shipment of tobacco by the recipient; requiring a person to obtain a tobacco common carrier permit before transporting certain tobacco from a direct tobacco shipper to a consumer; requiring an applicant for a tobacco common carrier permit to submit certain information and pay a certain fee; prohibiting the delivery of tobacco to a consumer in the State without a valid tobacco common carrier permit; establishing the term of a tobacco common carrier permit; requiring a tobacco common carrier to verify the age of a recipient to complete delivery; prohibiting a tobacco common carrier from delivering a shipment to certain individuals; requiring a tobacco common carrier to verify that the shipper of tobacco in the State holds a valid direct tobacco shipper's permit; requiring a tobacco common carrier to report certain information quarterly to the Comptroller; requiring a tobacco common carrier to maintain certain records for a certain number of years; authorizing the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; prohibiting the sale and shipment of certain tobacco products directly to consumers in the State unless the person has a certain permit; establishing penalties for violating certain provisions of this Act; clarifying that all cigarettes and other tobacco products used, possessed, or held in the State on or after a certain date are subject to the full tax enacted under this Act; authorizing the Comptroller to determine the method of assessing and collecting certain additional taxes; requiring certain additional taxes to be remitted to the Comptroller by a certain date; making the provisions of this Act severable; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the taxation of cigarettes and other tobacco products.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 16–101(b), 16–204, and 16.5–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Business Regulation
Section 16.7–101 through 16.7–114 to be under the new title “Title 16.7. Direct
Tobacco Shipper’s Permits”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1015
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–101(a) and (d) and 12–303(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–101(b), 12–105, 12–202, and 12–303(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 109 – Delegates Dumais and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Guardianship of the Person – Disabled Persons – Attorney’s Fees

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to order payment of certain attorney's fees in a proceeding for the appointment of a guardian of the person of a disabled person under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to require the deposit of a certain sum of money in a certain attorney's escrow account under certain circumstances; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to attorney's fees and actions for guardianship of the person.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 13–704 and 13–705(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 110 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Qualified Zone Academy Bonds

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$4,625,000, the proceeds to be used as grants to the Interagency Committee on School Construction and the Maryland State Department of Education for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds and the further grant of funds to eligible school systems for certain purposes, subject to a requirement that the grantees document the provision of a required matching fund; providing that, after a certain date, any bonds authorized under this Act shall be canceled and be of no further effect; providing that the proceeds of the loan under this Act shall be expended not later than a certain number of years after the issuance of the bonds authorized under this Act; authorizing the Board of Public Works to sell certain bonds at certain sales in proportion to the documented matching fund; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 130 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 23)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:15 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, January 26, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, January 26, 2015

The House met at 8:03 P.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Haven Shoemaker of Carroll County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 24)

The Journal of January 23, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. McConkey – illness

Del. McDonough – illness

Del. McMillan – business – inclement weather

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 111 – The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Judiciary)

AN ACT concerning

Judgeships – Circuit Courts and District Court

FOR the purpose of altering the number of resident judges of the circuit court in certain counties and Baltimore City; altering the number of resident judges of the District Court in certain districts; and generally relating to judgeships in the circuit courts and the District Court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 1–503 and 1–603(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 112 – Delegate Conaway

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Police–Involved Death – State Prosecutor

FOR the purpose of authorizing, under certain circumstances, the State Prosecutor to investigate a death of an individual that results directly from an action or an omission of a law enforcement officer of the State or of a political subdivision of the State while the officer is on duty or while the officer is off duty but performing activities that are within the scope of the officer’s duties; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the State Prosecutor.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 14–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 113 – Delegate Conaway

AN ACT concerning

Local Government Tort Claims Act – Limits on Liability

FOR the purpose of increasing the limits on liability of a local government for certain claims under the Local Government Tort Claims Act; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the limits on liability of a local government under the Local Government Tort Claims Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 114 – Delegate Conaway

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Tort Claims Act – Limit on Liability

FOR the purpose of increasing the limit on liability of the State and its units under the Maryland Tort Claims Act for injuries to a claimant arising from an incident or

occurrence; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the limits on liability of the State and its units under the Maryland Tort Claims Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 12–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 115 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights

FOR the purpose of making the Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights applicable to correctional officers in Carroll County; and generally relating to rights of a correctional officer in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 8–201(e), 11–1001(a) and (c), and 11–1004
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 11–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 116 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Carroll County – The Arc of Carroll County Building Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Arc of Carroll County, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the

loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 117 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Hours of Sale on Sundays for Holders of Class A Licenses

FOR the purpose of altering the hours of sale on Sundays for holders of Class A licenses in Carroll County; clarifying language; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–507
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 118 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Presumed Consent Organ Donation in Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Presumed Consent Organ Donation in Maryland; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its interim and final findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Presumed Consent Organ Donation in Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 119 – Delegates Morhaim, Branch, Bromwell, Kipke, Miele, W. Miller, Oaks, Ready, Reznik, Szeliga, Vaughn, and Walker

AN ACT concerning

**Construction Contract Clauses – Change Orders
(State Procurement Change Order Fairness Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring each State procurement contract for construction to include a change order clause that prohibits a contractor from requiring a subcontractor to complete work under a change order except under certain circumstances, allows a prime contractor or subcontractor to stop work under certain circumstances, requires a prime contractor to include in its subcontracts a certain clause, and prohibits certain persons from taking certain action under certain circumstances; applying the change order clause requirement to certain procurements and units of State government that are generally excluded from State procurement law; requiring a contractor to pay a subcontractor an undisputed amount to which the subcontractor is entitled within a certain number of days of receiving a payment for a change order or additional work; providing that a certain catchline is not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as part of this Act; and generally relating to required contract clauses for State procurement contracts for construction.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(a) and (e)(1) and (2) and 15–226(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(b)(1), (c), (e)(5), and (h) and 15–226(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 13–219.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 120 – Delegates Vallario, Anderson, Carter, Conaway, Dumais, Glass, Kittleman, Moon, Morales, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, and Valentino–Smith

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Failure to Appear – Rescheduling

FOR the purpose of authorizing a judge to set a bond in a certain case on issuing a bench warrant under a certain provision of law; requiring the court to strike a certain bench warrant and reschedule a certain hearing or trial if a certain person posts a bond

under certain circumstances; and generally relating to issuance of a bench warrant for failure to appear at a criminal proceeding.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 5–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 121 – Delegates Anderson, Vallario, Carter, Conaway, Jalisi, Kittleman, Lierman, Luedtke, Moon, Morales, Oaks, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Drug–Related Offenses – Repeal of Mandatory Minimum Sentences

FOR the purpose of repealing certain mandatory minimum sentences for certain drug–related offenses; specifying that a person convicted of certain drug–related offenses is not prohibited from participating in a certain drug treatment program; providing that a person who is serving a term of confinement that includes a mandatory minimum sentence imposed on or before a certain date is entitled to a certain hearing and a certain sentence review; requiring that a person who seeks a hearing or sentence review submit an application on or before a certain date; altering certain penalties; repealing a prohibition against a person possessing a regulated firearm if the person was previously convicted of certain drug–related offenses; and generally relating to penalties for drug–related offenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–602, 5–603, 5–604, 5–605, and 5–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–607, 5–608, and 5–609
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–133(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 122 – Delegates B. Robinson, Anderson, Angel, Carter, Clippinger, Conaway, Ebersole, Fennell, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Hill, Holmes, C. Howard, Jacobs, Jalisi, Jones, Krebs, Lierman, Luedtke, McCray, McDonough, Miele, W. Miller, Morhaim, O'Donnell, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Rosenberg, Stein, M. Washington, and West

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Impact of State and Local Taxes on Small Businesses

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Impact of State and Local Taxes on Small Businesses; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the impact of certain taxes on small businesses; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Impact of State and Local Taxes on Small Businesses.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 123 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Residential Retention Property Tax Credit – Modification

FOR the purpose of providing a certain exemption from a prohibition against certain homeowners receiving certain property tax credits under certain circumstances; providing for a delayed effective date; providing for the application and termination of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–304(g)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–304(g)(6)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 124 – Delegates Anderson, Bromwell, Conaway, Dumais, Glenn, Haynes, C. Howard, Lierman, McIntosh, Oaks, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Valentino-Smith, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Conviction of a Crime That Is No Longer a Crime

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a certain petition for expungement if the person was convicted of a crime and the act on which the conviction was based is no longer a crime; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 125 – Delegate McComas

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – School Buses – Length of Operation

FOR the purpose of altering the length of time a school bus may be operated in Harford County; and generally relating to school bus operations in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–804
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 126 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Carroll County – Warrant Intercept Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Carroll County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Carroll County; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 127 – Delegate Krebs

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Alteration of Dates for Termination Provisions and Sunset Program Evaluation

FOR the purpose of altering the date of the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors;

altering the date of the requirement that a certain evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed by the Department of Legislative Services; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors and the alteration of dates for termination provisions and the Sunset Evaluation Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–702
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–405(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 128 – Delegates Afzali, Cluster, and Folden

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Crimes Against Property – Trespass to a Vehicle

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from knowingly entering a vehicle, or any part of a vehicle, without authorization from the owner or rightful occupant of the vehicle; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to trespass to a vehicle.

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 129 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprise Participation – Award of Contracts

FOR the purpose of requiring a unit awarding a contract with a certain expected goal of veteran-owned small business enterprise participation to award the contract in accordance with certain provisions of law to a certain bidder or offeror that meets or makes a good faith effort to meet the expected goals; and generally relating to veteran-owned small business enterprise participation in State procurements.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 130 – Delegates Jones, B. Barnes, Brooks, Frick, Hettleman, Jalisi, Lafferty, Morhaim, Proctor, B. Robinson, Stein, Sydnor, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

African American Heritage Preservation Program – Reestablishment and Revisions

FOR the purpose of reestablishing the African American Heritage Preservation Program in the Maryland Historical Trust; specifying the purpose of the Program; requiring the Trust to develop and administer the Program in partnership with the Commission on African American History and Culture; establishing the African American Heritage Preservation Grant Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Trust to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; requiring the Governor to provide a certain annual appropriation to the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; authorizing, on or before a date determined annually by the Trust and the Commission and subject to the availability of certain money, certain persons to submit a grant application for an African American Heritage Grant; requiring that a grant application contain certain information; providing that a grant to certain persons requires a certain matching fund; prohibiting a grant to certain persons from exceeding a certain percentage of the total cost of the project for which the grant is awarded; requiring the Trust and the Commission to review grant applications, consider, except under certain circumstances, certain factors, and make certain recommendations to the Secretary of Planning; requiring the Trust and the

Commission, in making certain recommendations, to consider certain criteria; authorizing the Secretary to reserve a certain percentage of money available in the Fund to award certain grants for certain projects; requiring that an application for an emergency grant include certain information; requiring the Secretary to take certain actions concerning grant applications and recommendations; providing that the Secretary may only award grants under the Program for certain projects; requiring the Trust and the Commission to report certain information to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring, except under certain circumstances, the Trust to require a grantee to enter into a certain agreement; authorizing the Director of the Trust to waive a certain agreement or easement requirement under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Commission, to adopt certain regulations to implement the Program; prohibiting a certain regulation from being adopted unless the regulation is approved by the Board of Public Works; requiring the Trust and the Commission, to the extent required by certain regulations, to submit certain grants to the Board of Public Works for approval; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the African American Heritage Preservation Program.

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 5A–331
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 131 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Transfer to Juvenile Court – Petition for Expungement

FOR the purpose of requiring a petition for expungement of a criminal charge that has been transferred to the juvenile court to be filed in the court of original jurisdiction from which the order of transfer was entered; and generally relating to expungement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105(b) and 10–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 132 – Delegates Anderson, Vallario, Carter, Conaway, Glass, Jalisi, Moon, Morales, Rosenberg, Smith, and Sydnor

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Reckless Endangerment – Repeal of Specific Charging Requirement

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a defendant must be charged specifically with reckless endangerment to be found guilty of reckless endangerment; and generally relating to the offense of reckless endangerment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 133 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Warrantless Arrests – Assault on Baltimore City Special Enforcement Officer

FOR the purpose of expanding the authority of a police officer without a warrant to arrest a person suspected of committing a certain assault against a certain Baltimore City special parking enforcement officer or special traffic enforcement officer engaged in the performance of the officer's official duties; and generally relating to warrantless arrests.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 2–203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 2–203(b)(10) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 2–203(b)(12)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

House Joint Resolution 1 – Delegate Morhaim

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Number and Terms of United States Supreme Court Justices

FOR the purpose of urging the members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation to utilize their resources and influence to ensure passage of federal legislation concerning the number and terms of the Justices of the United States Supreme Court.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

MINORITY LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

January 26, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS BE APPOINTED BY THE MINORITY LEADERSHIP:

Minority Leader, The Hon. Nicholaus R. Kipke

Assistant Minority Leader, The Hon. Sue Aumann

Minority Whip, The Hon. Kathy Szeliga

Assistant Minority Whip, The Hon. Neil Parrott

Chief Deputy Minority Whip, The Hon. Justin Ready

Caucus Chairman, The Hon. Jay Jacobs

Minority Parliamentarian, The Hon. Andrew Serafini

RESOLVED, THAT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS BE APPOINTED DEPUTY MINORITY WHIPS:

The Hon. Wendell Beitzel
The Hon. Rick Impallaria
The Hon. Charles Otto
The Hon. Sid Saab
The Hon. Susan McComas
The Hon. Teresa Reilly

Read and ordered journalized.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT**MEMORANDUM**

To: Hon. Joseph Vallario, Jr., Chairman, JUD
From: Michael E. Busch, Speaker
Re: Reassignment of Bill(s)

In accordance with Rule 33, you are hereby requested to return to the Office of the Chief Clerk, the following legislation for reassignment as indicated below:

<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Reassignment</u>
HB 51	APP

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 25)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:24 P.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, January 27, 2015

The House met at 10:11 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Angela Angel of Prince George's County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 26)

The Journal of January 26, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Bromwell – business

Del. McMillan – business – inclement weather

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 134 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – Property Tax Credit – New or Expanding Businesses

FOR the purpose of authorizing Charles County or a municipal corporation in Charles County to grant a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on property that is leased by certain new or expanding businesses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for new or expanding businesses in Charles County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–310(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 135 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – School Construction Excise Tax Rates

FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Charles County to alter the school construction excise tax base rates on certain types of dwellings in certain fiscal years in a certain manner; providing that the school construction excise tax rates may not increase in certain fiscal years by more than the percentage change in the average statewide school building cost as calculated by the Interagency Committee on School Construction; and generally relating to the Charles County school construction excise tax rates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 20–804
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 136 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Charles County – Southern Maryland Carousel

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Southern Maryland Carousel Group, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 137 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – Alcoholic Beverages – License Fees

FOR the purpose of altering in Charles County fees for holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses; altering in Charles County an annual fee for providing live entertainment or outdoor table service by a holder of a Class B–R (restaurant) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license, Class B–RB (restaurant/bar) on–sale beer,

wine and liquor license, Class B–T (tavern) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license, Class B–N (nightclub) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license, or Class B–H (hotel) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license; and generally relating to fees for holders of alcoholic beverages licenses in Charles County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 3–401(a)(1), 5–202(b)(1), 5–401(a)(1), 6–101(a)(1), 6–201(j)(1),
6–301(a)(1) and (j)(1), 6–401(a)(1), 7–101(d)(1)(i), and 7–101(m)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 3–401(j), 5–202(f), 5–401(j), 6–101(j)(1), 6–201(j)(2), (3), (4), (5), and (6),
6–301(j)(2), 6–401(j), 7–101(d)(7) through (13), and 7–101(m)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 138 – Delegate Conaway

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Sexual Assault Policy – “Yes Means Yes”

FOR the purpose of requiring, by a certain date, that a policy on sexual assault adopted by the governing board of each institution of higher education include a certain affirmative consent standard; requiring a certain written policy on sexual assault to include a certain standard and certain statements; requiring a certain sexual assault policy to provide that certain circumstances negate a valid excuse to an alleged lack of affirmative consent; providing that the standard used in a certain determination is the preponderance of evidence; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the sexual assault policy at institutions of higher education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 11–601(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 11–602

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 27)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:23 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 28, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 28, 2015

The House met at 10:08 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Sheila E. Hixson of Montgomery County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 28)

The Journal of January 27, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Luedtke – illness

Del. Mautz – personal

Del. Rosenberg – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 139 – Delegate Beitzel

AN ACT concerning

Garrett County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Sales

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law making Sunday sales by holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Garrett County contingent on the consumer placing an order for a meal at a certain time or the consumer being otherwise entitled to a meal on the premises as part of a prearranged event; and generally relating to Sunday sales of alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 11–512

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 140 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Restrictions After Service

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain individual from receiving a certain financial benefit from certain public service companies, persons, or entities until a certain time has passed after the individual has left service with the Public Service Commission as a commissioner; and generally relating to the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(a) and (x)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 2–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 141 – Delegate O’Donnell

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – 2016 Presidential Primary Election – Early Voting

FOR the purpose of altering the days for early voting for the 2016 presidential primary election; and generally relating to early voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 10–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 142 – Delegates Krebs, Arentz, Aumann, Cluster, Folden, Impallaria, Jacobs, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, Rey, Szeliga, Vogt, and West

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Personal Exemptions – Inflation Adjustment

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of certain exemptions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; and generally relating to a cost-of-living adjustment for certain exemptions allowed under the State income tax.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–211(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 143 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Carr, Gutierrez, and Hixson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Jubilee Association of Maryland Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jubilee Association of Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 144 – Delegates Krebs, Cassilly, Cluster, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Szeliga, Vogt, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Retirement Income
(Fairness in Taxation for Retirees Act)**

FOR the purpose of including income from certain retirement plans within a certain subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals who are at least a certain age or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a

subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals for certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 145 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Howard County – Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board – Compensation
Ho. Co. 6–15**

FOR the purpose of providing that the compensation for the Howard County Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board shall be the amount set by the Howard County Council; and generally relating to the compensation for the Howard County Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–107.1(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 146 – Delegates Krebs, Arentz, Cassilly, Cluster, Impallaria, Jacobs, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, Rey, Szeliga, Vogt, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Standard Deduction – Inflation Adjustment

FOR the purpose of altering the minimum and maximum limitation amounts of certain standard deductions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; and generally relating to a cost-of-living adjustment for certain standard deductions allowed under the State income tax.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–217(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 147 – Delegates Krebs, Cassilly, Cluster, Impallaria, Jacobs, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, Rey, and Vogt

AN ACT concerning

**Taxpayer Protection Act – State Income Tax – Consumer Price Index
Adjustments**

FOR the purpose of altering certain State income tax rate bracket thresholds by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a cost-of-living adjustment for certain income tax rate brackets.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(a)(1)(iii) and (2)(iii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 148 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Interest Rate on Tax Deficiencies and Refunds

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the annual interest rate that the Comptroller sets for tax deficiencies and refunds; and generally relating to the annual interest rate on tax deficiencies and refunds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 149 – Delegates Krebs, Arentz, Aumann, Buckel, Carr, Cassilly, Cluster, Folden, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kittleman, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, Rey, Saab, Simonaire, Vitale, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

State Property Tax – Homestead Property Tax Assessment Cap Reduction

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum homestead property tax credit percentage for the State property tax; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the homestead property tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–105(e)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 150 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Secretary of State and Attorney General – Charitable Enforcement and Protection of Charitable Assets – Workgroup Reports – Extension

FOR the purpose of extending the due date on the final report, and increasing the number of interim reports, of the workgroup convened by the Secretary of State and the Attorney General to study information that should be reported to the Secretary of State by charitable organizations, charitable representatives, and fund-raising counsel; and generally relating to charitable enforcement and protection of charitable assets.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 654 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 151 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frush, Lam, McCray, and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Wholesome Meat Act – Prohibitions – Equines and Equine Meat

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from buying, selling, transporting, or offering or receiving for sale or transportation any equine carcass or the meat of any equine if the person knows or reasonably should know that the carcass or meat will be used for human consumption; prohibiting a person from buying, selling, transporting, or offering or receiving for sale or transportation any equine if the person knows or reasonably should know that the equine is intended for slaughter for human consumption; and generally relating to equines, equine carcasses, and the meat of equines.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 4–123(19) and (20)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 4–123(21)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 152 – Delegates Reznik and Luedtke

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Tuition Waiver for Disabled Individuals – Requirements

FOR the purpose of repealing certain requirements for receiving an exemption from the payment of tuition at community colleges for certain disabled individuals; and generally relating to tuition waivers for disabled individuals at community colleges.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–106(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 153 – Delegates Stein, Frush, Gaines, Healey, Hettleman, Lam, McMillan, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, S. Robinson, Smith, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Animal Cruelty – Leaving Dogs Outside and Unattended in Extreme Weather

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from leaving a dog outside and unattended by use of a certain restraint for a certain period when a hazardous weather warning issued by the National Weather Service is in effect for the local area; prohibiting a person from leaving a dog outside and unattended by use of a certain restraint for a certain period when the local temperature is above or below a certain temperature; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to animal cruelty.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–623
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 154 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Home Builder Registration Act – Guaranty Fund – Claims

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of a claim against the Home Builder Guaranty Fund for which the Consumer Protection Division may issue a certain proposed order; altering the number of days, following certain notice by the Division, after which the Division may bring a certain action in court against a registered home builder who fails to reimburse the Fund in full for payment of a certain claim; and generally relating to the Maryland Home Builder Registration Act and the Home Builder Guaranty Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 4.5–707 and 4.5–711
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 155 – Allegany County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Video Lottery Terminals – Small, Minority, and Women–Owned Businesses
Account – Use of Proceeds**

FOR the purpose of altering a certain requirement that certain video lottery proceeds be used for grants for investment capital and loans to small, minority, and women–owned businesses in a certain area; and generally relating to the use of certain video lottery proceeds.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–35(a) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–35(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 156 – Allegany County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Bay Restoration Fund – Use of Funds

FOR the purpose of authorizing funds in the Bay Restoration Fund, in certain fiscal years, to be used to pay a certain percentage of the total cost of projects relating to combined sewer overflows abatement, rehabilitation of existing sewers, and upgrading certain conveyance systems; and generally relating to the use of funds in the Bay Restoration Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment
Section 9–1605.2(i)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 157 – Delegate Holmes

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Gaming – Home Games

FOR the purpose of allowing a person to conduct a home game that is a game of chance or skill involving wagering that is conducted in a person's home or a residential property that is restricted to housing for certain persons and allows a player to compete directly against one or more other players; prohibiting a person from conducting a home game involving a player's use of an electronic device that connects to the Internet; prohibiting a person from benefiting financially in any way, directly or indirectly, other than from the winnings accrued by participating as a player in a home game; and generally relating to gaming.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–102(a) and 13–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 158 – Delegates Haynes, B. Barnes, Cullison, Gutierrez, Hixson, Korman, Pena–Melnik, Proctor, Reznik, Rosenberg, Sophocleus, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Service Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “service contract”, for purposes of provisions of law governing procurement contracts for certain services, to include services provided within a State–owned facility; requiring that certain units submit a certain demonstration to a certain exclusive representative under certain circumstances; requiring that certain units meet with a certain exclusive representative to discuss certain alternatives under certain circumstances; requiring that certain service contracts be subject to an audit to determine compliance with certain requirements; requiring that certain audits be completed before the expiration of an initial term of certain service contracts; requiring that a certain audit finding be made available to the public; requiring a unit in the Executive Branch of State government that has an independent personnel system to adopt certain rules and regulations; and generally relating to service contracts, reporting requirements, and audits of service contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 13–401 and 13–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 159 – Delegates Luedtke, A. Washington, and Ebersole

AN ACT concerning

Special Education – Standards and Workload Guidelines for Teachers and Related Services Providers

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board to adopt regulations that establish certain workload guidelines for special education teachers and related services providers; beginning with a certain school year and in certain school years thereafter, requiring the State Board to conduct a certain analysis of the administrative responsibilities of special education teachers and make certain recommendations; requiring a county board of education to ensure that certain teachers receive adequate joint planning time and that certain special education teachers and related services providers receive adequate time to complete certain administrative responsibilities; and generally relating to standards for the education of children with disabilities and workload guidelines for special education teachers and related services providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 8–404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 8–404.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 160 – Delegates Vitale, Ghrist, Glass, S. Howard, McKay, Metzgar, Saab, Szeliga, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Handgun Locking Devices – Repeal Exclusivity of Internal Locks – Requirements for External or Internal Lock System

FOR the purpose of authorizing the sale, offer for sale, rental, or transfer in the State of a handgun that is sold, offered for sale, rented, or transferred with an external safety lock as an alternative to an integrated mechanical safety device; and generally relating to handgun safety devices.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 5–132
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 161 – Delegates Fisher, Adams, Arentz, Buckel, Cluster, Folden, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, McConkey, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, Ready, Rey, Saab, Szeliga, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Personal Property Tax – Investments in Maryland

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from personal property tax for property that is owned by certain businesses organizing or moving into the State; exempting certain personal property from the property tax imposed by a county or municipal corporation as of a certain date; providing that certain personal property remains subject to a county or municipal corporation property tax; requiring the Department of Assessments and Taxation to identify certain provisions of law and submit a certain report to the General Assembly; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a personal property tax for certain businesses.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–245 and 7–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 162 – Delegates Vitale, Ghrist, Glass, McComas, McConkey, McMillan, Metzgar, Saab, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an official publisher that publishes legal material in an electronic record to designate the electronic record as official, under certain circumstances, and authenticate the electronic record in a certain manner; providing that certain legal material in an electronic record is presumed to be an accurate copy of the legal material; providing that certain legal material of another state in an electronic record is presumed to be an accurate copy of the legal material under certain circumstances; providing that a party contesting the authenticity of certain legal material in an electronic record has a certain burden of proof; requiring an

official publisher of certain legal material in an electronic record to provide for the preservation and security of the record, take certain actions regarding an electronic record preserved under a certain provision of this Act, and ensure that the legal material is reasonably available for use by the public on a permanent basis; requiring an official publisher to consider certain factors in implementing this Act; requiring that certain factors be considered in applying and constructing this Act; providing that this Act modifies, limits, and supersedes a certain federal law except as provided in a certain provision of this Act; establishing a certain short title; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 10–1601 through 10–1611 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16. Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 163 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Child Support – Adjusted Actual Income – Multifamily Adjustment

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “adjusted actual income” under the State child support guidelines; providing for the calculation of a certain allowance required to be deducted from adjusted actual income under the child support guidelines; requiring that the amount of a certain allowance be subtracted from a parent’s actual income before the court determines the amount of a child support award; repealing a factor the court may consider in determining whether the application of the child support guidelines would be unjust or inappropriate in a particular case; and generally relating to child support.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 12–201(a) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 12–201(c), 12–202(a), and 12–204(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 164 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Judgments – Appeals – Supersedeas Bond

FOR the purpose of limiting the amount of a supersedeas bond required to stay the enforcement of a judgment in a civil action; authorizing a court to reduce further the amount of a supersedeas bond; providing a procedure by which an appellee may seek discovery for the limited purpose of determining whether an appellant has dissipated or diverted assets under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to impose certain remedies and sanctions if an appellant is found to have dissipated or diverted assets; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to supersedeas bonds.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 12–301.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 165 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Grounds for Limited Divorce

FOR the purpose of altering a certain ground for limited divorce by repealing a requirement that separation of the parties be voluntary and without a reasonable expectation of reconciliation; repealing a certain condition precedent to granting a decree of limited divorce; and generally relating to grounds for limited divorce.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 7–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 7–103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 29)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:24 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 29, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 29, 2015

The House met at 10:07 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Eric M. Bromwell of Baltimore County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 30)

The Journal of January 28, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. O'Donnell – travel

Del. Platt – illness

Del. Rosenberg – personal

Del. Waldstreicher – illness

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 166 – Delegates Gutierrez, Barkley, B. Barnes, Campos, Carr, Carter, Clippinger, Cullison, Dumais, Fraser-Hidalgo, Gilchrist, C. Howard, Jalisi, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Act – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Program; providing for the purpose of the Program; providing that participation in the Program by a local school system is voluntary; providing that, beginning with a certain graduating class, certain students shall receive a certain seal under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Education to establish certain criteria and requirements by a certain date; requiring the State Board to provide certain information regarding the Program to certain local school systems by a certain date; requiring certain local school systems to maintain certain records; requiring certain local school systems to affix a certain seal to certain academic documents under certain circumstances;

requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 167 – Calvert County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Length of Service Award Program – Recipient Benefits

FOR the purpose of altering the age at which certain individuals may begin to receive certain benefits under the Length of Service Award Program for Calvert County; altering a certain additional amount that is payable under the Program for certain volunteer service; repealing a certain limit on a maximum benefit payable under the Program; authorizing a certain death benefit to be paid to a certain alternate beneficiary if a certain volunteer dies and is unmarried at the time of death; providing for the termination of the death benefit for an alternate beneficiary; and generally relating to the Length of Service Award Program in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Calvert County

Section 14–102

Article 5 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(2002 Edition and July 2014 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 168 – Delegates B. Wilson, Cassilly, Clippinger, Cluster, Folden, Impallaria, Kipke, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Second–Degree Murder – Penalty

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum term of imprisonment that may be imposed for the offense of second–degree murder; and generally relating to second–degree murder.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 169 – Delegate Afzali

AN ACT concerning

State Plumbing Code – Adoption of International Code Council Standards

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Plumbing to adopt standards of the International Code Council as part of the State Plumbing Code; requiring the Board to periodically review certain standards of the International Code Council; requiring the Board to amend the State Plumbing Code to incorporate certain standards of the International Code Council for a water conserving appliance, device, fitting, or fixture under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to allow the installation of a water conserving appliance, device, fitting, or fixture that meets certain standards of the International Code Council under certain circumstances; and generally relating to incorporating International Code Council standards into the State Plumbing Code.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 12–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 170 – Delegates Beitzel, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Buckel, Cluster, Impallaria, Jacobs, Mautz, McComas, W. Miller, O'Donnell, Vitale, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Game Birds – Baiting

FOR the purpose of altering the prohibition against a person hunting certain game birds by the aid of baiting or on or over a baited area to require that the person know or reasonably should know that the area is a baited area before a violation occurs; and generally relating to hunting game birds by bait or on or over a baited area.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–412

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 171 – Delegates Afzali and Valentino–Smith

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Child Abuse and Neglect – Waiver of Reunification Efforts

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a local department of social services may ask the court in a child in need of assistance proceeding to find that reasonable reunification efforts are not required; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–801(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–812
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 172 – Delegates Beidle, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Healey, Holmes,
S. Robinson, and Stein**

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Issues Related to the Use of Self–Driving Vehicles

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Issues Related to the Use of Self–Driving Vehicles; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to make certain determinations, review certain information, consider certain issues, and make certain recommendations related to the use of self–driving vehicles; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Issues Related to the Use of Self–Driving Vehicles.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 2–404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 173 – Delegate Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation – Heart Disease and Hypertension Presumption – Anne Arundel County Correctional Officers

FOR the purpose of extending the presumption of compensability under the workers’ compensation law to include, subject to certain conditions, Anne Arundel County correctional officers who suffer from heart disease or hypertension resulting in partial or total disability or death; requiring Anne Arundel County correctional officers to submit certain medical disclosures to a certain official; providing that, subject to a certain limitation, workers’ compensation benefits received under this Act are in addition to certain retirement benefits; altering the definition of “public safety employee” to include Anne Arundel County correctional officers for the purposes of determining certain compensation; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to compensability of Anne Arundel County correctional officers under the workers’ compensation law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 9–503(b) and (e) and 9–628(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 9–628(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 174 – Delegates O’Donnell, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Fisher, Folden, Frush, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kipke, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Morgan, Otto, Parrott, Ready,

**Reilly, Rey, Saab, Serafini, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Vitale, Vogt, West,
B. Wilson, and C. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

Motor Fuel Tax Rates – Consumer Price Index Adjustment – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain motor fuel tax rates be adjusted in future years based on growth in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers; and generally relating to motor fuel tax rates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 175 – Anne Arundel County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Police Officers – Secondary Employment

FOR the purpose of authorizing Anne Arundel County to enact a local law that authorizes secondary employment of county police officers; and generally relating to the secondary employment of county police officers in Anne Arundel County.

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–811.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 176 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County Board of Education – Special Election to Fill a Vacancy
MC 22–15**

FOR the purpose of providing for the conduct of a special election to fill a vacancy for an elected member on the Montgomery County Board of Education; repealing the authority of the elected members of the county board to appoint an individual to fill

a vacancy for an elected member on the county board; providing that, under certain circumstances, the special election shall be held concurrently with a regularly scheduled general election in the county; requiring the County Executive for Montgomery County to establish the date for the special election; providing that a local special election to fill a vacancy shall be conducted by mail if the proclamation of the chief executive officer or county executive of a charter county directs that the election be conducted by mail; and generally relating to a special election to fill a vacancy for an elected member of the Montgomery County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 3–901(a) through (e), (f)(1), (2), (4), and (6), and (g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 3–901(f)(5)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 9–501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 177 – Delegates Holmes, Valentino–Smith, Vallario, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Retirement Income –
Individuals at Least 65 Years Old**

FOR the purpose of altering a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain military retirement income for individuals who are at least a certain age; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the State income taxation of certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–207(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 178 – Allegany County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Allegany County – Frostburg Museum Relocation Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Frostburg Museum Association for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 179 – Delegate Barron

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – Failure to Pass Licensure Examination – Prohibition on Issuance of License

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or a physical therapist assistant who fails the examination for licensure a certain number of times from retaking the examination and being licensed by the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners; and generally relating to examination requirements for licensure by the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 13–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 180 – Delegates Turner, Atterbeary, Barve, Carozza, Ebersole, Hixson, C. Howard, Kaiser, Luedtke, A. Miller, Platt, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Terminal Revenues – Purse Dedication Account – Standardbred Racetrack Operating Assistance

FOR the purpose of extending through certain calendar years the authorization to use certain Purse Dedication Account funds generated from video lottery proceeds for operating assistance by the Ocean Downs Race Course and Rosecroft Raceway to support a minimum number of live racing days at each race course; and generally relating to the use of Purse Dedication Account funds by the Ocean Downs Race Course and Rosecroft Raceway for operating assistance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(a)(4) and 9–1A–28(a) and (e)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–28(g)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 181 – Delegates Hill, Bromwell, Cullison, Hammen, Kipke, Lam, Morhaim, Pendergrass, Ready, Reznik, and K. Young

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Pharmacy – Sterile Compounding – Compliance by Nonresident Pharmacies and Repeal of Permit Requirement

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that certain entities hold a sterile compounding permit issued by the State Board of Pharmacy before engaging in certain activities relating to sterile compounding; repealing the requirement that a person that prepares and distributes sterile drug products into or within the State hold a certain permit; repealing the qualifications, fees, and other requirements for applying for a sterile compounding permit; repealing the requirement for the Board to adopt regulations relating to sterile compounding permits; repealing requirements

for inspections of and reporting by sterile compounding permit holders; repealing the authority of the Board to take certain disciplinary action or impose certain fines for violating sterile compounding permit requirements; repealing the requirement that the inspection report submitted by a wholesale distributor applicant or permit holder that prepares sterile drug products demonstrate compliance with certain standards; repealing certain criminal penalties and civil fines for operating a sterile compounding facility without a permit; requiring a nonresident pharmacy that will dispense compounded sterile preparations to patients in the State to obtain and submit to the Board a report of an inspection that meets certain standards and is conducted by a certain entity within a certain time period in order for the nonresident pharmacy to obtain a pharmacy permit from the Board; requiring a nonresident pharmacy, if dispensing compounded sterile preparations to patients in the State, to comply with certain standards and regulations; repealing certain definitions; defining certain terms; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to sterile compounding and the State Board of Pharmacy.

BY renumbering

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(d) through (t–1) and (u) through (w), respectively
to be Section 12–101(e) through (y), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–4A–01 through 12–4A–12 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4A. Sterile
Compounding Permits”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(d) and (z)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–403(f)(1) and (g), 12–6C–03.2, and 12–707(b) and (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 182 – Delegates Lafferty and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Housing – Community Development Administration – Residential Mortgage Loans

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Community Development Administration to make a residential mortgage loan for the purchase or rehabilitation of a homeowner's primary residence or the refinancing of a residential mortgage loan under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Housing and Community Development to determine the terms and qualifications for certain financial assistance to a homeowner under certain circumstances; authorizing the Administration to purchase from a mortgage lender a note or mortgage that evidences a residential mortgage loan for the purchase or rehabilitation of a homeowner's primary residence or the refinancing of a residential mortgage loan under certain circumstances; altering the types of new mortgage loans that the Administration is authorized to purchase under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary to waive the requirement for a certain mortgage lender's certificate under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Community Development Administration and residential mortgage loans.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–201(a) and 6–201(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–201(u)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–235(b), 4–237(a), 4–238(a) and 4–240
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 183 – Baltimore County Delegation (By Request – Baltimore County Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County Code of Public Local Laws – 2015 Edition – Legalization

FOR the purpose of legalizing the 2015 Edition of the Baltimore County Code of Public Local Laws and any supplement to the extent to which that code or supplement contains laws enacted by the General Assembly; and generally relating to the 2015 Edition of the Baltimore County Code of Public Local Laws.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 184 – Delegates Morgan, Rey, O'Donnell, and Fisher

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Personal Property Tax – Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting from the St. Mary's County property tax certain personal property purchased by businesses during a certain period; exempting certain personal property from the St. Mary's County property tax beginning on a certain date; providing that certain personal property remains subject to the St. Mary's County property tax; providing that a person is not required to submit a certain report to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation for personal property that is not subject to the St. Mary's County property tax; and generally relating to an exemption from the St. Mary's County personal property tax.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7–402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 185 – Delegates Carr, Brooks, Dumais, Gutierrez, Hixson, C. Howard, Korman, Krimm, Luedtke, Moon, Platt, S. Robinson, Smith, Sophocleus, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Real-Time Transparency Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring a political committee to file a contribution report within a certain period of time after receiving a single contribution, transfer, or loan of a certain amount during the year of an election in which the political committee is participating; requiring contribution reports to include certain information; providing that contribution reports filed by a political committee are in addition to certain other reports filed by a political committee; requiring a political committee to include information reported in its contribution reports in certain other reports filed by the political committee; requiring the State Board of Elections to assess a late filing fee for failure to file a contribution report; providing for the amount,

payment, use, and other matters concerning late filing fees; and generally relating to requiring rapid reporting of certain contributions, transfers, and loans to political committees.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–309.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 186 – Delegates Carr, Cullison, Ebersole, Glass, C. Howard, Jalisi, Kramer, Krebs, Morales, Parrott, Smith, Sophocleus, Tarlau, Turner, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Uniform Real Property Transfer–on–Death (TOD) Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Uniform Real Property Transfer–on–Death (TOD) Act; providing for the construction of this Act; authorizing an individual to transfer certain property to one or more beneficiaries effective at the transferor’s death by a transfer–on–death deed; establishing that a transfer–on–death deed is revocable and nontestamentary; providing that the capacity required to make or revoke a transfer–on–death deed is the same as that required to make a will; establishing the requirements of a transfer–on–death deed; providing that notice, delivery, acceptance, or consideration are not required for a transfer–on–death deed; providing for the revocation of a transfer–on–death deed; providing for the effect of a transfer–on–death deed during the life of the transferor; providing for the effect of a transfer–on–death deed at the death of the transferor; authorizing a beneficiary to make a certain disclaimer; providing for certain creditor claims and statutory allowances; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the citation of this Act; providing certain statutory forms that may be used to create a transfer–on–death deed and a revocation of a transfer–on–death deed; defining certain terms; and generally relating to transferring real estate on death.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 18–101 through 18–202 to be under the new title “Title 18. Maryland Uniform Real Property Transfer–on–Death (TOD) Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 187 – Delegates Arentz, Cassilly, Ghrist, Hornberger, Jacobs, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County and Queen Anne’s County – Intergovernmental Cooperation and Acceptance of Funds

FOR the purpose of applying to Cecil County and Queen Anne’s County certain provisions authorizing the governing body of a county to contract with another governmental entity for certain purposes and authorizing the governing body of a county to accept certain gifts or grants from the federal or State government and to use the gifts and grants for certain purposes; and generally relating to the application to Cecil County and Queen Anne’s County of certain provisions relating to intergovernmental cooperation and the acceptance of certain funds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 1–902
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

APPOINTMENTS

January 29, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

Hon. Michael E. Busch, Co–Chair
Hon. Kumar P. Barve
Hon. Talmadge Branch
Hon. Dereck E. Davis
Hon. Peter A. Hammen
Hon. Sheila E. Hixson
Hon. Carolyn J.B. Howard
Hon. Adrienne A. Jones
Hon. Anne R. Kaiser
Hon. Nicholas R. Kipke
Hon. Maggie McIntosh
Hon. Shane E. Pendergrass
Hon. Kathy Szeliga

Hon. Joseph F. Vallario, Jr.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

January 29, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE, EXECUTIVE, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW (AELR)

Hon. Samuel I. Rosenberg, House Chair
Hon. Eric M. Bromwell
Hon. Luke Clippinger
Hon. Bob Flanagan
Hon. Marvin E. Holmes, Jr.
Hon. Jay Jacobs
Hon. Susan K. McComas
Hon. Dan K. Morhaim
Hon. Nathaniel T. Oaks
Hon. Kirill Reznik

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

January 29, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE

Hon. Craig Zucker, House Chair
Hon. Steven J. Arentz
Hon. Susan L. Aumann
Hon. Pamela G. Beidle
Hon. Keith E. Haynes

Hon. Shelly Hettleman
Hon. Carolyn J.B. Howard
Hon. Michael A. Jackson
Hon. Stephen W. Lafferty
Hon. Nathaniel T. Oaks

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

January 29, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

Hon. Marvin E. Holmes, Jr., House Chair
Hon. Susan L. Aumann
Hon. Bonnie Cullison
Hon. C. William Frick
Hon. Adrienne A. Jones
Hon. Susan K. McComas

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 31)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:20 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 30, 2015.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 30, 2015**

The House met at 11:13 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Shane Robinson of Montgomery County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 130 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 34)

The Journal of January 29, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. McMillan – business

Del. O'Donnell – travel

Del. Rosenberg – personal

Del. Vallario – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 188 – Delegates Cluster, Adams, Fisher, Folden, Ghrist, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jackson, Jacobs, Krebs, McComas, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, Parrott, Ready, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Valentino-Smith, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permits – Renewal Period for Retired Law Enforcement Officer

FOR the purpose of establishing that a handgun permit issued to a retired law enforcement officer of the State or a county or municipal corporation of the State expires on the last day of the holder's birth month following a certain period after the date the permit is issued and may be renewed for successive periods of a certain length under certain circumstances; providing that a retired law enforcement officer who applies for the renewal of a permit is not required to be fingerprinted except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 5–301(a) and (d) and 5–304(b)(1) and (d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 189 – Delegates Cluster, Szeliga, Fisher, Folden, Ghrist, S. Howard,
Jacobs, Krebs, W. Miller, and Ready**

AN ACT concerning

**Public Safety – Handgun Permit Background Investigation – Armored Car
Company Employees**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of State Police to accept certain background investigations from certain armored car companies in place of a certain criminal history records check performed by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services under certain circumstances; and generally relating to handgun permit background investigations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 190 – Delegates Krebs, Ready, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

**Office of Cemetery Oversight – State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors
– Crematories – Fees**

FOR the purpose of providing that certain fees, provided for by a certain process established by the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight for regulating crematories, apply to certain persons; clarifying that certain regulations be substantively identical except to the extent of certain statutory differences; prohibiting the Director from charging certain fees for registration as a crematory operator or issuance of a permit

to operate a crematory; clarifying that a certain process for regulating crematories established by the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors provide for registration of crematory operators or issuance of permits for operating crematories; repealing a requirement that a certain process for regulating crematories established by the Board provide for certain fees; prohibiting the Board from charging certain fees for registration as a crematory operator or issuance of a permit to operate a crematory; and generally relating to the Office of Cemetery Oversight, the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, crematories, and fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–102(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–204(a) and 5–205(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–102(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–205(c) and 7–206(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 191 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Appointment of Superintendent of Schools – Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting the Washington County Board of Education from certain requirements for the appointment and reappointment of a Washington County Superintendent of Schools; and generally relating to the Washington County Superintendent of Schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 4–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 192 – Delegate Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Occupational Safety and Health – Inspections and Assessments of Civil Penalties – Limitations

FOR the purpose of requiring, under certain circumstances, the Commissioner of Labor and Industry or an authorized representative of the Commissioner to provide an employer certain notice before inspecting a place of employment; prohibiting, under certain circumstances, the Commissioner or an authorized representative of the Commissioner from assessing a civil penalty against the employer for violations found during certain inspections except under certain circumstances; making a conforming change; and generally relating to occupational safety and health inspections and assessments of civil penalties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 5–208(a) and 5–209(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 5–208.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 5–209(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 193 – Delegates Krebs and Ready

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Staff – Designation and
Duties of Executive Director**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, instead of the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, to employ certain staff; authorizing the Secretary to designate one of the staff as executive director; requiring the executive director to manage certain staff and perform certain administrative functions; prohibiting the executive director from directly conducting certain investigations or inspections; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, staff, and the designation and duties of the executive director.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–204(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 194 – Delegates Beitzel, Parrott, A. Miller, Adams, Arentz, Buckel, Cassilly, Dumais, Flanagan, Ghrist, Glass, Healey, C. Howard, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Jalisi, Kelly, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Mautz, McComas, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, W. Miller, Otto, Ready, Reznik, S. Robinson, Serafini, Shoemaker, Sophocleus, Szeliga, Turner, B. Wilson, C. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Maximum Speed Limits on Highways

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum speed limit that may be established on certain highways in the State; and generally relating to maximum speed limits on highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–801.1(b) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–801.1(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 195 – Delegates Fennell, Campos, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Landover Hills Town Hall

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Landover Hills for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 196 – Delegates Afzali, Brooks, Cassilly, Folden, Frush, Gutierrez, Jackson, Proctor, Shoemaker, Smith, Vogt, C. Wilson, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Administration – Selective Service Registration – Driver’s License and Identification Card Applicants

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law relating to the Motor Vehicle Administration’s collection and electronic forwarding of Selective Service registration information gender–neutral and expanding their applicability to certain minors; altering the conditions under which certain information about an applicant is forwarded to the Selective Service System including removing an applicant’s option to refuse to consent to Selective Service registration; making certain changes to the contents of the statement the Administration is required to include on an application for a driver’s license or an identification card; making a certain conforming change relating to an applicant’s refusal to consent to Selective Service registration; repealing a certain provision making the Administration’s collection and electronic forwarding of Selective Service registration information on certain individuals to the Selective Service System contingent on the Administration’s receipt of federal funds to pay for certain start–up costs; repealing a certain provision requiring the Motor Vehicle Administrator to initiate and monitor efforts to obtain certain federal funds and to report to the Department of Legislative Services when a certain contingency is fulfilled; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Motor Vehicle Administration and Selective Service registration.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 12–304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 309 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

BY repealing

Chapter 309 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002
Section 2 and 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 197 – Delegates Fennell, Angel, Atterbeary, D. Barnes, Barron, Campos, Ebersole, Glenn, Holmes, Jackson, Jalisi, Knotts, Korman, Krimm, McCray, Morales, Patterson, Proctor, B. Robinson, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Education – Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program in the State Department of Education; requiring the Department, after consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to implement the Program for a certain number of students in public high schools in Prince George’s County; authorizing the State Department of Education to collaborate with certain local community organizations; specifying the purpose of the Program; defining a certain term; requiring the State Department of Education to report annually to certain committees of the General Assembly; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 7–415.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 198 – Delegates Fennell, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, D. Barnes, Campos, Ebersole, Glenn, Hayes, Holmes, Hornberger, Jackson, Jalisi, Knotts, Korman, Krimm, Lam, Luedtke, McCray, Morales, Patterson, Proctor, B. Robinson, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Tarlau, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, M. Washington, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Education – Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program in the State Department of Education; requiring the Department, after consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to implement the Program for a certain number of students in public high school in Prince George’s County and a certain number of students in public high school in another county; authorizing the State Department of Education to collaborate with certain local community organizations; specifying the purpose of the Program; defining a certain term; requiring the State Department of Education to report annually to certain committees of the General Assembly; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–415.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 199 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Unreimbursed Expenses of Foster Parents – Child Placement Agency

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of a “foster parent” to include individuals approved by certain child placement agencies and certain treatment foster parents for purposes of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain unreimbursed expenses of foster parents; requiring the Department of Human Resources to approve the expenses that qualify for the subtraction modification; requiring a child placement agency to notify the Department of certain information; requiring the Department to submit a certain list to the Comptroller; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification for certain unreimbursed expenses of foster parents.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(u)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 200 – Delegates Cluster, Arentz, Aumann, Cassilly, Folden, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kittleman, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Parrott, Szeliga, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

State Correctional Facilities – Correctional Officers – Polygraph Examination

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services to require an individual to pass a polygraph examination before being appointed to serve as a correctional officer in a correctional facility; requiring the Secretary to adopt regulations governing the administration of the polygraph examination required by this Act; and generally relating to correctional officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 3–215(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 201 – Delegate S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Special Registration Plates and Parking Placards for Individuals With Disabilities – Licensed Physical Therapists

FOR the purpose of authorizing a licensed physical therapist to certify certain medical conditions of an applicant for a special disability registration number and special disability registration plates for a certain vehicle; requiring the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to be responsible for the development and maintenance of a database system with which the Motor Vehicle Administration can interface and verify licensure; authorizing a licensed physical therapist to certify the existence of certain permanent disabilities for applicants for a certain parking placard; authorizing a licensed physical therapist to certify the existence of a certain temporary disability of an applicant for a temporary parking placard; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; repealing certain obsolete provisions; and generally relating to special registration plates and parking placards for individuals with disabilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation

Section 13–616(a), (b)(1) and (2), and (m), 13–616.1(a) and (k), and 13–616.2(a), (b), (c), and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 202 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wineries MC 21–15

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Montgomery County to issue a Class D beer and light wine license to a holder of a Class 3 manufacturer's license in Montgomery County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 203 – Delegate Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Title Fees – Rental Vehicles

FOR the purpose of making permanent a certain fee for a certificate of title for a rental vehicle; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, on application by an owner of a rental vehicle titled during a certain period of time, to refund a certain amount of the title fee collected from the owner; stating the intent of the General Assembly; and generally relating to rental vehicles and title fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–802
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 204 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Environmental Education Center
Renovation and Expansion
Ho. Co. 2–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Conservancy, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 205 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Community Action Council Food
Bank Facility
Ho. Co. 4–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Action Council of Howard County, Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 206 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Howard County Historical Society
Roof Repair
Ho. Co. 9–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$35,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Historical Society, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes;

providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 207 – Delegate S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake Bay Trust – Investment Options – Expansion

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Chesapeake Bay Trust to invest any money of the Trust in marketable equity securities, marketable equity–related mutual funds, or debt–related mutual funds; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the Chesapeake Bay Trust.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1909
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 208 – Delegate Pendergrass

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners – Preapproval for Use of Trade Names – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that condition the use of certain trade names by certain chiropractors, massage therapists, and massage practitioners on preapproval of the use by the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners; and generally relating to the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners and preapproval for use of trade names.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 3–407 and 3–5A–12
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 209 – Delegate Turner

AN ACT concerning

Howard County – Room Rental Tax – Room Rental Fee

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the Howard County room rental tax applies to the total charge for the rental of a room, including any room rental fee charged by a room rental intermediary but not including any tax; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Howard County room rental tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Howard County
Section 20.400
Article 14 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1977 Edition and August 2008 Supplement, as amended)
(As enacted by Chapter 139 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011 and Chapter 510 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 210 – Delegates Cluster, Arentz, Cassilly, Impallaria, Jacobs, Krebs, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Parrott, Ready, Szeliga, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Baltimore City Detention Center – Transfer of Ownership

FOR the purpose of abolishing the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; repealing the authority of the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services to operate and control the Baltimore City Detention Center and the centralized booking facility for Baltimore City; repealing certain findings and policies relating to inmates housed at the Detention Center; repealing certain provisions relating to inmate medical care; establishing certain policies and findings relating to the transfer of ownership of the Detention Center from the State to the City of Baltimore; providing for the commitment of certain persons after a certain date; providing for the transfer of title to and possession and preservation of certain records; providing for the termination of employees of the Detention Center; requiring the State to provide certain leave benefits to former employees of the Detention Center; specifying certain financial responsibilities of the State; providing for the hiring of former employees of the Detention Center under certain circumstances at certain salaries; providing for certain pension and health insurance benefits for certain former employees of the Detention Center; authorizing the Mayor of Baltimore City to accept certain liabilities and assume certain contracts of the State under certain circumstances;

specifying the applicability of the Maryland Tort Claims Act; authorizing the Mayor of Baltimore City to assume certain procurement and construction contracts entered into by the State under certain circumstances; directing the transfer of property, assets, licenses, credits, and rights of the Detention Center to the Mayor of Baltimore City; providing that the transfer of the property, assets, licenses, credits, and rights of the Detention Center may not go into effect until it is approved by the Board of Public Works; requiring the State to pay the operating and capital costs of the Detention Center in specified years; requiring the City of Baltimore to pay a certain part of the operating and capital costs of the Detention Center in a specified year; requiring the City of Baltimore to pay all of the operating and capital costs of the Detention Center beginning in a specified year; requiring that the Mayor of Baltimore City and the Secretary of Budget and Management enter into a certain memorandum of understanding; providing that the memorandum of understanding may not go into effect until approved by the Board of Public Works; requiring the City of Baltimore and the State to establish a certain process to inform and advise certain employees about certain matters; providing that certain employees may present certain grievances; specifying certain contractual obligations; altering the definition of “local correctional facility” to include a facility operated by Baltimore City; making certain conforming changes; repealing and correcting certain references; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Detention Center.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 1–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 1–101(j) and (o), 9–106, 9–604, 10–304, 10–701(c)(1)(vi), 10–801(a), (c)(1), and (d), and 11–704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Correctional Services

Section 5–101 and 5–102 and the subtitle “Subtitle 1. Definitions; General Provisions”; 5–201, 5–202, and 5–203 and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Division of Pretrial Detention and Services”; 5–301 and 5–302 and the subtitle “Subtitle 3. Pretrial Release Services Program”; 5–401 through 5–406 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Baltimore City Detention Center”; and the title “Title 5. Division of Pretrial Detention and Services”; and 11–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 211 – Delegates Hill, Barkley, Carter, Chang, Dumais, Ebersole, Gutierrez, Kaiser, Krimm, Lam, Moon, Turner, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Pay It Forward

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Pay It Forward; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain higher education matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Pay It Forward.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 212 – Delegates Fisher, Jackson, Jameson, O'Donnell, Patterson, Rey, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – College of Southern Maryland – Bachelor's Degree Programs

FOR the purpose of authorizing the College of Southern Maryland in the State to offer bachelor's degree programs and award bachelor's degrees; requiring certain bachelor's degree programs to include certain components; requiring the College of Southern Maryland, in coordination with the Secretary of Higher Education, to adopt certain rules and regulations; and generally relating to bachelor's degree programs at community colleges.

BY renumbering

Article – Education

Section 16–610

to be Section 16–611

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 10–210(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 16–610

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 213 – Delegates Tarlau and Fennell

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Bladensburg Road
Economic Development Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Colmar Manor for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 214 – Delegates Metzgar, Afzali, Aumann, Folden, Grammer,
Impallaria, Kipke, Long, Simonaire, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Transportation Authority – Francis Scott Key Bridge – Toll Discount
Plans**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to offer to users of the Francis Scott Key Bridge the same toll discount plans that the Authority offered to users of the Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge on a certain date; and generally relating to toll discount plans for users of the Francis Scott Key Bridge.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 4–312(a)(2) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 4–312(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 215 – Delegates Luedtke, Anderson, Atterbeary, Barkley, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Barron, Barve, Carr, Carter, Clippinger, Conaway, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hammen, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hixson, Holmes, Jackson, Kaiser, Kelly, Knotts, Korman, Kramer, Lam, Lierman, McCray, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Pendergrass, Platt, Proctor, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, Walker, A. Washington, M. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Education – Geographic Cost of Education – Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain county boards of education receive a certain grant; repealing a certain provision that allowed for the reduction of a grant under certain circumstances; and generally relating to education funding in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Senate Bill 11 – Senators Astle and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

FOR the purpose of changing the job title of “hearing examiners” of the Public Service Commission to “public utility law judges”; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 2–105(c)(1), 2–108(d)(5) and (8)(ii)6. and (e)(5), 2–303(a), 2–306(b),
2–307(a), 2–308(a), 3–104(a), (b), and (d), 3–108, and 3–113(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

Senate Bill 15 – ~~Senator Conway~~ Senators Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan-Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

APPOINTMENTS

January 30, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS CRITICAL AREA

Hon. Dana M. Stein, Co–Chair

Hon. Alfred C. Carr, Jr.

Hon. Stephen W. Lafferty

Hon. Carl Anderton, Jr.

Hon. Brooke E. Lierman

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

January 30, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FAIR PRACTICES AND STATE PERSONNEL OVERSIGHT

Hon. Adrienne A. Jones, Co–Chair

Hon. Aruna Miller

Hon. Jeff Ghrist

Hon. Barbara A. Robinson

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

January 30, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL RELATIONS

Hon. Alfred C. Carr, Jr., Co–Chair

Hon. James W. Gilchrist

Hon. Marc Korman

Hon. Chris West

Hon. Kirill Reznik

Hon. Alonzo T. Washington

Hon. Glen Glass

Hon. Ariana Kelly

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS**January 30, 2015****RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:****JOINT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS**

Hon. Benjamin S. Barnes, Co–Chair
Hon. Wendell R. Beitzel
Hon. Tony McConkey
Hon. Barbara A. Robinson
Hon. Keith E. Haynes
Hon. Carol L. Krimm
Hon. Brooke E. Lierman
Hon. Craig Zucker

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERKRead and adopted.**APPOINTMENTS****January 30, 2015****RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:****JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON PROGRAM OPEN SPACE AND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION**

Hon. James W. Gilchrist, Co–Chair
Hon. Shane Robinson
Hon. Andrew Cassilly
Hon. Tawanna P. Gaines
Hon. Dana M. Stein

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERKRead and adopted.**APPOINTMENTS**

January 30, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE PORT OF BALTIMORE

Hon. Luke Clippinger, Co-Chair
Hon. Peter A. Hammen

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 35)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:29 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned in memory of former Delegate Frank Pesci, Sr. until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 2, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, February 2, 2015

The House met at 8:00 P.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Deborah C. Rey of St. Mary's County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 132 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 37)

The Journal of January 30, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Mautz – funeral

Del. Turner – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 216 – Delegates Morhaim, Carr, Chang, Ebersole, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frush, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, McComas, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Environment – Personal Care Products Containing Synthetic Plastic
Microbeads – Prohibition on Manufacturing or Sale**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from manufacturing for sale or accepting for sale a personal care product or an over-the-counter drug that contains synthetic plastic microbeads on or after certain dates; defining certain terms; and generally relating to synthetic plastic microbeads.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–2001 and 9–2002 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 20. Personal Care Products”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 217 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Credit for Unused Sick Leave – Clarification

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a member of the State Retirement and Pension System may not receive creditable service for unused sick leave at retirement unless the leave was available to the member to be used as sick leave during employment; clarifying the definition of “unused sick leave” to specify that the leave must have been available to be used as sick leave during employment; and generally relating to the clarification of unused sick leave that may be used to provide additional creditable service at retirement for members of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 20–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 218 – Delegates Morhaim, Ebersole, Hayes, Healey, Krimm, and Pena–Melnyk

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Days of Early Voting

FOR the purpose of altering the days on which early voting centers are required to be open before an election; and generally relating to early voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 10–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 219 – Delegates Morhaim, Hixson, Krimm, Lam, Stein, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Independent Expenditures and Electioneering Communications – Registration and Reporting

FOR the purpose of altering the aggregate amount of independent expenditures or disbursements for electioneering communications that a person may make before being required to file a certain registration form and a certain report with the State Board of Elections; altering the aggregate amount of independent expenditures or disbursements for electioneering communications that a person may make following the closing date of the person's previous report with the State Board before the person is required to file an additional report with the State Board; and generally relating to registration and reporting of independent expenditures and electioneering communications.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–306(a) and (e) and 13–307(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–306(b), (c), and (d) and 13–307(b), (c), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 220 – Delegates Dumais, Kittleman, and Moon

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act; establishing the purposes of this Act; establishing certain rights and obligations of certain intended parents who use gamete or embryo donors to conceive a child through collaborative reproduction; establishing certain rights of a child conceived through collaborative reproduction; establishing that a gamete or embryo donor is not a parent of a child conceived through collaborative reproduction under certain circumstances; establishing that a gestational carrier agreement is enforceable in the State under certain circumstances; specifying certain requirements for parties who enter into a gestational carrier agreement; specifying certain requirements for the contents of a gestational carrier agreement; specifying the effect of the dissolution of the marriage or partnership of a gestational carrier or an intended parent on a gestational carrier agreement; prohibiting an embryo transfer from occurring under certain circumstances; specifying the effect of an unauthorized embryo transfer; specifying the effect of the death of an intended parent on a

gestational carrier agreement; authorizing an intended parent to revoke consent to a gestational carrier agreement under certain circumstances; providing for the resolution of disputes under a gestational carrier agreement; authorizing a party to a gestational carrier agreement to file a petition for parentage; establishing the jurisdiction of a circuit court of the State over a petition for parentage under certain circumstances; specifying the required contents of a petition for parentage; requiring a court to issue an order of parentage under certain circumstances; establishing the legal effect of an order of parentage; requiring an order of parentage to be sealed under certain circumstances; requiring that, in the absence of an order of parentage, the parentage of a child born as the result of a gestational carrier agreement be determined in a certain manner; providing for the issuance of a birth certificate under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain persons who have been convicted of certain crimes from being involved in the business of collaborative reproduction; establishing certain criminal penalties; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to the Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–901 through 5–914 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 221 – Delegates Dumais, Serafini, Anderson, Barkley, Beitzel, Carr, Conaway, Cullison, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hammen, Hixson, Kaiser, Kelly, Kipke, Korman, Kramer, Lisanti, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, Valentino–Smith, A. Washington, B. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Commission on Tax Policy, Reform, and Fairness

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Tax Policy, Reform, and Fairness; specifying the membership of the Commission; providing for the appointment of a Senate cochair and House cochair of the Commission; providing for the staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study, consider, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission on Tax Policy, Reform, and Fairness.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 222 – Delegates Dumais, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hammen, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Lisanti, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Morales, Platt, Reznik, Shoemaker, Valentino–Smith, B. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Distribution of Heroin or Fentanyl Resulting in Death

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from distributing heroin or fentanyl, the use of which is a contributing cause of the death of another; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; providing that it is not a defense under this Act that the defendant did not directly distribute the heroin or fentanyl to the decedent; providing that a person who, in good faith, seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of medical assistance for a person experiencing a medical emergency after using heroin or fentanyl shall be immune from criminal prosecution for a violation of this Act if the evidence for the criminal prosecution was obtained in a certain manner; providing that a sentence imposed under this Act shall be separate from and consecutive to a certain other sentence; and generally relating to distribution of controlled dangerous substances.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–602.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 223 – Delegate Hammen

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Pilots – Recreational Vessels – Employment Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain recreational vessel employ a licensed pilot to pilot the vessel when it is underway on the navigable waters of the State; defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the employment of pilots on recreational vessels.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 11–501

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 224 – Delegates Dumais, Anderson, Moon, Morales, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – 2–Year Protective Order

FOR the purpose of specifying that a court may issue a final protective order for a period not to exceed 2 years by consent of the respondent under certain circumstances; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–506(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 225 – Delegates Dumais, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Hettleman, Jalisi, Kittleman, McComas, Moon, Morales, Rosenberg, Smith, Valentino–Smith, Waldstreicher, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – Additional Relief

FOR the purpose of expanding the relief that may be awarded in an interim protective order to include any other relief that a District Court commissioner determines is appropriate; expanding the relief that may be awarded in a temporary protective order and a final protective order to include any other relief that a judge determines is appropriate; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–504.1(b), 4–505(a)(1), and 4–506(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–504.1(c), 4–505(a)(2), and 4–506(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 226 – Delegates Morhaim, Hixson, Kipke, Angel, Ebersole, Hayes, Healey, Krimm, Lam, McMillan, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Reznik, Stein, Tarlau, West, K. Young, Holmes, Sydnor, Hettleman, and Jalisi

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Casting of Ballot by Mail – Public Communications

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Elections and local boards of elections to emphasize in public communications certain information about casting a ballot by mail; specifying public communications that are subject to this Act; and generally relating to public awareness of casting a ballot by mail.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 9–303

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 9–311.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 227 – Delegates Angel, Atterbeary, B. Barnes, Barve, Branch, Campos, Carter, Clippinger, Davis, Dumais, Folden, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Glenn, Hayes, Haynes, Hill, Jackson, Jalisi, Kaiser, Kelly, Kipke, McComas, McCray, McIntosh, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Tarlau, Vaughn, Walker, A. Washington, M. Washington, P. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Domestic Violence – Definition of Abuse

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “abuse” for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to domestic violence to include harassment, trespass, and malicious destruction of property under certain provisions of law under certain circumstances; and generally relating to domestic violence and the definition of “abuse”.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–501(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–501(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 228 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Expedited Partner Therapy Program – Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of establishing the Expedited Partner Therapy Program in the Baltimore City Health Department as a permanent program; authorizing a certain advanced practice nurse instead of a certified nurse practitioner to dispense or otherwise provide antibiotic therapy under certain circumstances; repealing a certain reporting requirement; repealing the termination date of the Program; making conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to the Expedited Partner Therapy Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–214.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 146 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, as amended by Chapter 136 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 229 – Delegates Dumais, Anderson, Atterbeary, Barve, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hammen, Hixson, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Lisanti, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Pena–Melnik, Pendergrass, Platt, Reznik, Smith, Tarlau, Valentino–Smith, B. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Human Relations – Employment Discrimination – Protection for Interns

FOR the purpose of establishing certain protections for interns and applicants for internships from certain discriminatory acts; prohibiting an employer from printing or causing to be printed or published a certain notice or advertisement relating to an internship; authorizing a notice or an advertisement indicating a certain bona fide occupational qualification for an internship; providing that a certain intern shall have access to a certain complaint resolution procedure or, under certain circumstances, may file a complaint with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights for certain administrative remedies; providing that this Act does not create an employment relationship between an employer and an intern for the purposes of certain remedies or certain other provisions of law; defining a certain term; and generally relating to protections for interns from certain discriminatory acts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 20–601(a), (c), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 20–610
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 230 – Delegate Hammen

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Assignment of Benefits and Reimbursement of Nonpreferred Providers – Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law relating to the assignment of benefits and reimbursement of nonpreferred providers; and generally relating to the assignment of benefits and reimbursement of nonpreferred providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 537 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 7

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 231 – Delegate Hammen

AN ACT concerning

**Developmental Disabilities Administration – Low Intensity Support Services –
Definition**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “low intensity support services” as it relates to the Low Intensity Support Services Program in the Developmental Disabilities Administration; and generally relating to the Developmental Disabilities Administration and low intensity support services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 7–717
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

**House Bill 232 – Delegate Bromwell (By Request – Departmental – State
Acupuncture Board)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Acupuncture Board – Disciplinary Procedures – Judicial Appeals and
Prohibition on Stays**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a hearing of charges filed by the State Acupuncture Board from being stayed or challenged by certain procedural defects; prohibiting an order of the Board from being stayed pending judicial review; authorizing the Board to appeal from any decision that reverses or modifies a certain order; clarifying the circumstances under which a person may take a direct judicial appeal; and generally relating to disciplinary procedures of the State Acupuncture Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1A–310 and 1A–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 233 – Delegate Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Calculation of Length – Loading Devices

FOR the purpose of excluding certain cargo loading devices from the calculation of the length of a motor vehicle or combination of vehicles for the purposes of compliance with maximum motor vehicle or combination of vehicles length requirements; clarifying that certain factors included in the calculation of the length of a motor vehicle apply to the calculation of the length of a combination of vehicles; extending the application of a certain calculation of vehicle length to certain provisions of law relating to maximum vehicle lengths; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to maximum motor vehicle lengths.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 24–104.1(b) and 24–104.2(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 24–104.1(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 234 – Delegates Tarlau, Barron, Carr, Ebersole, Jalisi, Lam, Moon, Platt, S. Robinson, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Ethics – Executive Branch – Lobbying by Former Officials and Members of the General Assembly

FOR the purpose of altering the time period during which former members of the General Assembly are prohibited from assisting or representing certain parties for compensation in a matter that is subject to legislative action; prohibiting certain former State officials of the Executive Branch and certain former public officials of the Executive Branch from assisting or representing certain parties for compensation, for a certain period of time, in a matter that is subject to legislative action; providing an exception to a certain employment prohibition; and generally relating to employment by former members of the General Assembly and former Executive Branch officials.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions

Section 5–504(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 235 – Delegates Reznik, Smith, and Fraser–Hidalgo

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Manufacturers and Distributors – Sale of Electric or
Nonfossil–Fuel Burning Vehicles**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a manufacturer or distributor to be licensed as a vehicle dealer if the manufacturer or distributor deals only in electric or nonfossil–fuel burning vehicles and if no dealer in the State holds a franchise from the manufacturer or distributor; authorizing certain manufacturers or distributors who deal only in electric or nonfossil–fuel burning vehicles to operate a certain dealership located in an enclosed shopping mall notwithstanding certain factors; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the sale of electric and nonfossil–fuel burning vehicles by manufacturers and distributors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 15–305.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

**House Bill 236 – Delegates Jalisi, Anderson, Atterbeary, Carter, Cluster,
Conaway, S. Howard, Mautz, McComas, Metzgar, Moon, Rey, Sydnor, and
B. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Assault – First Responders

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from intentionally causing physical injury to another if the person knows or has reason to know that the other is a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, a rescue squad member, or any other first responder

engaged in providing emergency medical care or rescue services; applying certain penalties; and generally relating to assaults on first responders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 237 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation – Children’s Scholarship Fund – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Workers’ Compensation Children’s Scholarship Fund; requiring the Workers’ Compensation Commission to impose, in addition to the payment of certain compensation, a certain assessment against an employer or its insurer for each award of compensation for permanent total disability against the employer; providing that the assessments shall be paid into the Fund; establishing the Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Joint Committee on Workers’ Compensation Benefit and Insurance Oversight to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purposes for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; authorizing the Committee to award certain scholarship assistance to individuals who meet certain requirements; requiring the Committee, in consultation with a certain organization, to establish certain policies and procedures for the administration of the scholarship assistance; authorizing the Committee to consider the recommendations of a certain entity in awarding scholarship assistance under a certain provision of this Act; providing that an award or a denial of scholarship assistance under a certain provision of this Act is in the sole and exclusive discretion of the Committee; requiring the Commission, at the discretion of the Committee, to pay awards of scholarship assistance directly to a certain educational institution for a certain purpose; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law requiring interest on State money in special funds to accrue to the General Fund of the State; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Workers’ Compensation Children’s Scholarship Fund.

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–751; and 10–401 through 10–403 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4.
Workers’ Compensation Children’s Scholarship Fund”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 238 – Delegates Szeliga and Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Forest Conservation Act – Exemption – Hazards to Air Navigation

FOR the purpose of creating an exemption under the Forest Conservation Act for the cutting or clearing of trees to comply with a certain provision of law, under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the applicability of the Forest Conservation Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–1602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 239 – Delegates C. Howard, D. Barnes, Davis, Fennell, Frush, Glenn, Proctor, B. Robinson, Vaughn, Walker, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Use of Campaign Funds for Meeting and Conference Expenses

FOR the purpose of including a disbursement to pay the costs for travel, lodging, meals, and registration expenses to attend certain meetings or conferences as an allowable expenditure of funds from a campaign account under the State election law; and generally relating to the use of campaign funds to pay expenses for a candidate's or an elected official's attendance at certain meetings and conferences.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 1–101(o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 1–101(aa)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 240 – Delegates Tarlau, Angel, Ebersole, Fennell, Glenn, Jalisi, McCray, Moon, Morales, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

State Individual Income Tax – Rate Changes

FOR the purpose of altering the State income tax rates for certain income of individuals; requiring the Comptroller to waive certain interest and penalties for a certain taxable year to a certain extent; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to altering the income tax rates for certain income of individuals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 241 – Delegates Aumann, Adams, Arentz, Barkley, Carey, Carozza, Chang, Clippinger, Cluster, Fisher, Frick, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Gutierrez, Hettleman, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jones, Kramer, Krebs, Lafferty, Lierman, Long, Mautz, McComas, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Ready, Reilly, B. Robinson, Serafini, Simonaire, Szeliga, Valderrama, West, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Human Trafficking – Adult Victim – Penalty

FOR the purpose of making the crime of human trafficking in a case in which the victim of the crime is an adult a felony, rather than a misdemeanor; making a conforming change; and generally relating to human trafficking.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 11–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 242 – Frederick County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Multiple Event Licenses and Promoter’s License

FOR the purpose of authorizing an applicant in Frederick County to purchase a certain single–day alcoholic beverages license or multiday alcoholic beverages license; specifying the maximum number of days for which licenses may be issued to a single applicant in a calendar year; specifying the fees for certain single–day licenses and multiday licenses; establishing a promoter’s license in the County; requiring a for–profit organization to obtain a promoter’s license from the Board of License Commissioners before the organization may conduct certain activities related to events at which alcoholic beverages are sold or served and that are held in conjunction with a certain organization; providing for certain license fees; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 7–101(b)(7) and (d)(8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 7–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 243 – Delegates Carozza, Holmes, McMillan, O’Donnell, C. Wilson, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprises – Participation Goal

FOR the purpose of altering a certain participation goal for certain veteran–owned business enterprises for certain procurement contracts; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to procurement participation by veteran–owned small business enterprises.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 244 – Delegates Anderson, Vallario, Smith, Lierman, B. Robinson, Carter, Conaway, Dumais, Glenn, Hixson, McCray, McIntosh, Moon, Morales, Proctor, Rosenberg, Turner, Valentino–Smith, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Second Chance Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to petition the court to shield certain court records and police records relating to certain convictions at a certain time; providing that, if a certain person is convicted of a new crime during a certain time period, a certain original conviction is not eligible for shielding unless the new conviction becomes eligible for shielding; providing that a certain person is not eligible for shielding if the person is a defendant in a pending criminal proceeding; providing that, if a person is not eligible for shielding of one conviction in a certain unit, the person is not eligible for shielding of any other conviction in the unit; providing that a certain conviction is eligible for shielding at a certain time; requiring the court to have a copy of a certain petition served on the State’s Attorney; authorizing the court to order the shielding of certain records after taking certain objections or information into consideration; requiring the court to hold a hearing under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to deny a certain petition for good cause; authorizing a court to grant only one shielding petition to a person over the lifetime of the person; requiring the court to send a certain written notice to certain victims; prohibiting the Maryland Judiciary Case Search from in any way referring to the existence of specific

records shielded in accordance with this Act; providing that a conviction that has been shielded in accordance with this Act may not be considered a conviction for certain purposes; prohibiting a person authorized to access a shielded record under this Act from disclosing any information from a shielded record to a person who is not authorized to access shielded records under this Act; prohibiting an employer from requiring a person who applies for employment to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or discharging or refusing to hire a person solely because the person refused to disclose certain information, with a certain exception; prohibiting an educational institution from requiring a person who applies for admission to the institution to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or expelling or refusing to admit a person solely because the person refused to disclose certain information; prohibiting a unit, an official, or an employee of the State or a political subdivision of the State from requiring a person who applies for a license, certificate, permit, registration, or government service to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or denying a person's application for a license, certificate, permit, registration, or government service solely because the person refused to disclose certain information, with a certain exception; requiring a certain custodian to deny inspection of criminal records and police records relating to the conviction of a crime that has been shielded under this Act; providing that this Act does not apply to a certain conviction; providing that a shielded record shall remain fully accessible by certain persons; establishing penalties for a violation of a certain provision of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the shielding of court records and police records.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–301 through 10–306 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Shielding”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–327

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 245 – Frederick County Delegation

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Permit – Hours of Sale

FOR the purpose of authorizing a holder of a certain alcoholic beverages license in Frederick County who has been granted a Sunday opening permit to sell certain alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption at a certain event that the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners has approved; providing that the Board set the hours for the event; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–511(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–511(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 246 – Frederick County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Notice for License Applications, Fees, and Inspectors

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to fulfill a certain notice requirement for license applications by posting online a completed application with all submitted documents on or before a certain date; eliminating the fees for a certain certificate of permission and a certain new license; repealing the requirement that the Governor appoint for the county a full-time alcoholic beverages inspector; repealing the qualifications for appointment and term of the inspector; repealing the authority of the Governor to remove the inspector; repealing the grounds for removing the inspector; authorizing the Board to appoint a chief alcoholic beverages inspector and a certain number of full-time or part-time alcoholic beverages inspectors; specifying the qualifications and duties of the inspectors; specifying an additional duty of the chief inspector; providing for the compensation and travel reimbursement for inspectors; making certain technical and clarifying corrections; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses and inspectors in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 10–202(a)(1), 10–506(a), and 15–103
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE
FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS**

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Tax Year 2014 – Technical Correction

FOR the purpose of clarifying, for a certain taxable year, the percentage of the federal earned income credit used for determining the amount that an individual may claim as a refund under the Maryland earned income credit under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the earned income tax credit allowed under the State income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(a) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

APPOINTMENTS

February 2, 2015

**RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT
STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**

JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

Hon. Geraldine Valentino-Smith, House Chair
Hon. Kathy Afzali
Hon. Kathleen M. Dumais
Hon. Megan C. Simonaire
Hon. Tawanna P. Gaines
Hon. Ana Sol Gutierrez
Hon. Mary Washington
Hon. Alonzo T. Washington
Hon. Antonio Hayes
Hon. Eric Ebersole

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

February 2, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON GAMING OVERSIGHT

Hon. Eric Luedtke, House Chair
Hon. Kevin B. Hornberger
Hon. Pamela G. Beidle
Hon. Jay Walker

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

APPOINTMENTS

February 2, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON CYBERSECURITY, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

Hon. C. William Frick, House Chair

Hon. Aruna Miller
Hon. Dan K. Morhaim
Hon. Benjamin F. Kramer
Hon. Warren E. Miller
Hon. C.T. Wilson

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 38)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:18 P.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 3, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 3, 2015

The House met at 10:05 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Geraldine Valentino-Smith of Prince George's County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 132 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 39)

The Journal of February 2, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Mautz – funeral

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

February 3, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The Governor of Maryland has signified his intention of addressing the General Assembly of Maryland on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 12 Noon in the House Chamber.

We propose with your concurrence, a joint meeting of the two Houses for this occasion and have appointed Delegates Hill and Smith to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of six, three on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House, to escort the Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed Delegates Miele, S. Howard and Lisanti.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of six, three on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House to escort the Lieutenant Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed Delegates Simonaire, Cassilly and Angel.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

February 3, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We have received your message that the Governor has signified his intention to address the General Assembly of Maryland on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 12:00 Noon, and your proposal of a joint meeting of the General Assembly in the Chamber of the House of Delegates.

We respectfully concur in your message and have appointed on behalf of the Senate, Senators Pugh, Jennings and Edwards as members of the joint committee to escort the Governor to the Chamber of the House of Delegates.

We have also appointed as members of a joint committee, Senators Klausmeier, Hershey and Peters to escort the Lt. Governor to the House Chamber.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 40)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:27 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 11:30 A.M. on Wednesday, February 4, 2015.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 4, 2015**

The House met at 11:37 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Kathy Szeliga of Harford County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 43)

The Journal of February 3, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. C. Wilson – business

APPOINTMENT

February 4, 2015

RESOLVED, THAT THE SPEAKER MAKES THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT:

Hon. Barrie Ciliberti to the Appropriations Committee

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 247 – Delegate Walker

AN ACT concerning

**Elementary School Students – Daily Physical Activity
(Student Health and Fitness Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring a public school student in elementary school to be provided a certain minimum level of a program of physical activity each week; requiring that the program of physical activity for a certain category of student be consistent with a certain plan for the student; requiring public elementary schools to designate a certain group to plan and coordinate certain activities; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt certain regulations; providing for certain extensions; requiring a county school system that receives a certain extension to have a plan to ensure the county school system's compliance with this Act by a certain date; and generally relating to student health and fitness.

BY renumbering

Article – Education

Section 7–409(b), (c), (d), (e), and (f), respectively
to be Section 7–409(c), (d), (e), (f), and (g), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7–205(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7–409(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–409(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 248 – Delegate Walker

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Education – Financial Literacy Curriculum – Graduation Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a certain course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content developed by the State Board in

certain high schools; requiring students to complete a certain course in order to graduate from high school; and generally relating to the development and implementation of a course in financial literacy that is required for graduation from a public high school in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–205.4

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 249 – Delegates W. Miller, Adams, Arentz, Aumann, Beitzel, Fisher, Folden, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Kipke, Kittleman, McComas, McConkey, McMillan, Saab, Szeliga, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Labor Organizations – Right to Work

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain employers from requiring, as a condition of employment or continued employment, an employee or a prospective employee to join or remain a member of a labor organization, pay charges to a labor organization, or pay a certain amount to a third party under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain employers from threatening an employee or a prospective employee with certain action; specifying that certain agreements, understandings, or practices between employers and labor organizations are null and void and without legal effect; authorizing an employee or a prospective employee to file an action in a certain circuit court for a certain violation of law; specifying that an employee or a prospective employee is entitled to injunctive relief and to recover certain damages and costs under certain circumstances; providing that a certain violation of law is a misdemeanor and is subject to certain penalties; requiring the Attorney General to take certain action to ensure effective enforcement of certain laws, investigate certain complaints, and try certain prosecutions; specifying that the Attorney General has certain powers and duties relating to criminal prosecutions under certain circumstances; specifying that certain provisions of law are unenforceable under certain circumstances; repealing a certain provision of law that prohibits a court from granting relief under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions of law related to fees paid by employees to certain labor organizations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the rights of individuals, employee organizations, and employers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2–309(j)(5)(i) and (ii)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(j)(5)(iii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 6–407, 6–504, and 16–414.1(e)(3) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–595.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–904(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 4–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 4–701 through 4–707 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Right to Work”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 16–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Land Use
Section 16–316

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 3–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 250 – Delegates Afzali, Buckel, Cluster, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, McComas, McConkey, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Shoemaker, Simonaire, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Elderly or Disabled Individuals

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for any income received by a certain individual who is at least a certain age or is totally disabled; repealing certain obsolete provisions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for income of a certain individual who is at least a certain age or is totally disabled.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–211(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 251 – Delegates Afzali, Adams, Anderton, Aumann, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Cluster, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, Hornberger, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, McComas, McConkey, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, Parrott, Reilly, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Corporate Income Tax – Rate Reduction

FOR the purpose of altering the State income tax rate on the Maryland taxable income of corporations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland corporate income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 252 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Carr, Gutierrez, Hixson, Kaiser, Luedtke, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Jane Lawton Farm–to–School Program – Maryland Homegrown School Lunch Week – Occurrence

FOR the purpose of increasing the occurrence of a certain promotional event established under the Jane Lawton Farm–to–School Program in the Department of Agriculture; requiring the promotional event to be held during certain seasons; and generally relating to the Jane Lawton Farm–to–School Program in the Department of Agriculture.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 10–1601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 253 – Delegate McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voter Registration – Interstate Crosscheck Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Elections to execute a memorandum of agreement to participate in the Interstate Crosscheck Program; requiring the State Board to utilize the data obtained through the Interstate Crosscheck Program for certain purposes; defining a certain term; and generally relating to participation in the Interstate Crosscheck Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 254 – Delegates Clippinger, Hammen, and Lierman

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Chesapeake Shakespeare Company’s
Downtown Theater and Educational Annex**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$235,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 255 – Delegates Dumais and Kramer

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Procedure – Seizure and Forfeiture – Property Used in Exploitation of
Vulnerable Adults**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a State or local law enforcement agency, on process issued by a court of competent jurisdiction, to seize certain property used or intended for

use in connection with a violation of a certain criminal statute; specifying certain property that is subject to forfeiture; specifying certain conditions to exclude property from forfeiture; authorizing the seizure of certain property with or without a warrant under certain circumstances; requiring the seizing authority that seizes money to take certain actions; specifying certain standards and exceptions regarding the seizure of motor vehicles; requiring a certain law enforcement officer to recommend that a motor vehicle be forfeited under certain circumstances; requiring that a forfeiting authority surrender a motor vehicle on request to the owner under certain circumstances; specifying conditions under which an owner may obtain possession of seized property; specifying the time when seizure of real property occurs; authorizing an owner or owner's tenant to remain in possession of seized real property under certain circumstances; prohibiting an owner of certain real property from taking certain actions; specifying certain procedures for the conduct of forfeiture proceedings, including the filing of complaints and answers, posting and publishing of notice, and conducting hearings for real property and other property; specifying certain restrictions on forfeiture proceedings on property used as the principal family residence; specifying certain powers of a court in a certain forfeiture proceeding; requiring a court to issue a certain order after a full hearing under certain circumstances; authorizing the governing body where the property was seized to take certain actions; requiring certain proceeds to be used for certain expenses; specifying the terms of sale of forfeited property; specifying the law governing the sale of certain collateral; requiring certain proceeds from the sale of certain property to be distributed in a certain manner; requiring lienholders to take certain actions before exercising the right to sell certain property and after the redemption of certain property; specifying the effect of this Act; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to seizure and forfeiture of property used in connection with exploitation of vulnerable adults.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 13–601 through 13–636 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Violations of the Law Against Exploitation of Vulnerable Adults”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 256 – Delegates B. Robinson, Chang, Glenn, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Developmental Disabilities Administration – Licensees – Duties and Immunities
– Employees**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt rules and regulations for licensees of the Developmental Disabilities Administration to obtain and provide information on certain employees; requiring the rules and

regulations to require a licensee to carry out certain duties; requiring a licensee to respond in a certain manner to a request for information; requiring a licensee to have certain immunities under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to educate all licensees about certain matters; requiring the Administration, on or before a certain date, to establish and maintain a database of certain employees; requiring the Administration to require each licensee to submit certain information to the database; requiring a licensee to submit certain information on or before certain dates to the Administration for inclusion in the database; requiring the Administration to phase in certain submissions and to complete the phase-in within a certain time period; requiring the Secretary to establish by regulation the form, manner, and deadlines for the submission and certain procedures; requiring the Administration to carry out certain duties relating to the database; providing that certain requirements that apply to licensees also apply to an individual who self-directs certain services; authorizing an individual who self-directs services to submit certain information in a certain manner; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Developmental Disabilities Administration and requirements for licensees to obtain and provide information on employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – Health – General
 Section 7–901
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
 Article – Health – General
 Section 7–911 through 7–913
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 257 – Delegates Szeliga, Impallaria, and McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Property Tax Credit – Homes Near a Refuse Disposal System

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant a credit against the county property tax for certain owner-occupied residential real property within a certain proximity to a certain refuse disposal system under certain conditions; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for certain residential real property in proximity to a certain refuse disposal system in Baltimore County.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–305(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 258 – Delegates Tarlau and Fennell

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Elizabeth Seton High School Library Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Elizabeth Seton High School, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 259 – Delegates B. Robinson, Chang, and McComas

AN ACT concerning

Personal Property Tax – Maximum Rate – Small Business

FOR the purpose of establishing a maximum county property tax rate for personal property owned by certain businesses organizing in or moving into the State during a certain time period; and generally relating to the personal property tax for certain businesses in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property
Section 6–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 260 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Waldstreicher, Angel, Atterbeary, Carter, Cluster, Dumais, Fennell, McComas, Moon, Morales, Parrott, Platt, Smith, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Jury Service – Excusal

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain parent may be excused from jury service under certain circumstances; and generally relating to jury service and excusals from jury service.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 8–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 261 – Delegates Turner, Atterbeary, Ebersole, Hill, Lam, and Pendergrass

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Bottled Water – Exemption

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for certain sales of bottled water; clarifying that the exemption does not apply to certain sales of bottled water; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the application of the sales and use tax to bottled water.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 262 – Delegate Clippinger

AN ACT concerning

**Workers’ Compensation – Permanent Partial Disability Compensation –
Reversal or Modification of Award**

FOR the purpose of applying certain provisions of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award of permanent partial disability compensation to a reversal or modification by the Workers’ Compensation Commission; clarifying that, for

purposes of a certain provision of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award of permanent partial disability compensation, the payment of certain new compensation awarded is subject to a certain monetary credit for compensation previously awarded and paid; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the reversal or modification of an award of permanent partial disability compensation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–633
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 263 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Angel, Atterbeary, Dumais, Kelly, McComas, and Rey

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – Permanent Protective Orders – Conspiracy or Solicitation to Commit Murder

FOR the purpose of expanding the circumstances under which a court is required to issue a certain permanent final protective order to include the conviction of an individual for conspiracy or solicitation to commit murder under certain circumstances; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–506(k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 264 – Delegates Krebs and Kittleman

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings Act – Public Body – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “public body” for the purposes of the Open Meetings Act to include a multimember subcommittee of a standing committee of either house of the General Assembly; and generally relating to the Open Meetings Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 3–101(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 265 – Delegates Gaines, Healey, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Greenbelt Lake Dam Repair

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$285,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Greenbelt for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 266 – Delegates Stein, Hettleman, and Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Pikesville Volunteer Fire
Company Building**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 267 – Delegates Afzali, Buckel, Cluster, Ghrist, Hornberger, Krebs,
McComas, McConkey, Metzgar, W. Miller, Saab, Simonaire, Vogt, and West**

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Legislative and Congressional Districting – Standards and Processes

FOR the purpose of amending certain provisions of and adding a new article to the Maryland Constitution for the purpose of changing the legislative and congressional districting standards and processes; altering the number of delegates in each House legislative district; clarifying that due regard must be given to the boundaries of counties under a certain provision of law; establishing the Legislative Districting Committee and the Congressional Districting Committee; providing for the membership and staffing of the committees; prohibiting individuals who serve in certain positions from being selected as members of the committees; providing that an individual is not required to be a member of the General Assembly to be a member of either committee; providing that a member of one of the committees may be a member of the other committee; providing that members of the committees cannot receive compensation, but are entitled to certain reimbursement; providing for the terms of members of the committees; requiring the Legislative Districting Committee, rather than the Governor, to prepare a certain districting plan; requiring the Congressional Districting Committee to prepare a certain plan and submit it to the Governor; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 3, 4, and 5

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article XX – Congressional Districting
Section 1, 2, and 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 268 – Delegate B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Washington County – The Maryland Theatre

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$260,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Maryland Theatre Association, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 269 – Delegate Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Samaritan House

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Samaritan House, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 270 – Delegates B. Wilson, Aumann, Buckel, Dumais, Folden, Hornberger, Kaiser, Kipke, Kittleman, Long, McComas, Metzgar, Morales, Szeliga, West, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Arson, Burning, and Malicious Destruction – Property of Another – Definition

FOR the purpose of defining the term “property of another” as used in certain provisions prohibiting arson, burning, and the malicious destruction of property to conform with the definition found in provisions relating to theft and related crimes; and generally relating to arson, burning, and the malicious destruction of property.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–101(a) and 7–101(a) and (j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–101(d) and (e) and 6–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–101(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 271 – Delegates W. Miller, Adams, Arentz, Aumann, Buckel, Cluster, Fisher, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Kipke, Kittleman, Long, McComas, McConkey, McKay, Metzgar, Oaks, Parrott, Saab, Simonaire, Szeliga, and West

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Speed Monitoring Systems – Quarterly Audits

FOR the purpose of requiring a local jurisdiction to obtain a certain quarterly audit of its speed monitoring systems; requiring the results of the audit to be kept on file and admitted as evidence in a certain proceeding; and generally relating to audits of speed monitoring systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(7)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 272 – Delegates Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, and A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Potomac Community Resources Home

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Potomac Community Resources, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 273 – Frederick County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wine Events, Licensing, Alcohol Awareness Requirements, and Fines

FOR the purpose of restricting the number of bottles of wine that may remain open at any one time at a wine sampling or tasting event in Frederick County to all bottles in a wine preservation system that the Board of License Commissioners approves and a certain number of other bottles opened by certain persons; altering in Frederick County the qualifications for signatories of a certificate accompanying a license application; providing for an alternative method for selecting signatories under certain circumstances; requiring, with a certain exception, that a person certified by an approved alcohol awareness program be present at a licensed premises in the county when alcoholic beverages may be sold; allowing the person to be absent for a certain time under certain circumstances; altering the maximum fine that the Board may impose on a licensee for a certain violation; authorizing the Board to reduce a suspension under certain circumstances; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–406.1, 10–103(b)(18), 13–101(c)(2), and 16–507(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 274 – Frederick County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Gaming Events

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations in Frederick County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or casino event under certain circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the County Department of Permits and Inspections before conducting a card game, card tournament, or casino event; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet certain requirements; specifying that a card game, card tournament, or casino event may be managed and organized by certain organizations; requiring an individual who participates in or helps operate a card game, card tournament, or casino event to be of a certain age; specifying that a permit holder may receive a certain maximum number of permits in a calendar year; providing a certain time limit on a card game, card tournament,

or casino event; specifying that a permit is not transferable; requiring that proceeds from a card game, card tournament, or casino event be used for certain purposes and may not be used for certain other purposes subject to a certain exception; specifying that the operation of a card game, card tournament, or casino event may not occur during a certain time; authorizing a permit holder under this Act to charge only a preset entrance fee; requiring participants in a card game, card tournament, or casino event to use tokens and not cash for wagering under certain circumstances; prohibiting a permit holder from exchanging tokens under certain circumstances; requiring a permit holder to submit a financial report to the County Department of Permits and Inspections under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to forward a certain report to the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission; authorizing the County Executive to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gaming in Frederick County.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1304.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 275 – Frederick County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Class C (Retirement Center) License

FOR the purpose of establishing a special Class C (retirement center) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license by converting a certain license held on behalf of a retirement center into the retirement center license; specifying that the retirement center license authorizes the holder to sell at retail beer, wine, and liquor to residents and guests at the licensed premises for on–premises consumption; authorizing the license holder to sell wine or liquor for off–premises consumption under certain circumstances; allowing a civic group or any other organization that rents the premises for an event to serve alcoholic beverages at the event under certain circumstances; providing that the licensed premises may be expanded; providing that the retirement center campus shall be limited to certain areas and rooms; providing for an annual fee; and generally relating to a retirement center license in Frederick County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–301(l)(10)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 276 – Delegate Proctor

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Charles County – Benedict Volunteer Fire
Department and Rescue Squad and Auxiliary Facility**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Benedict Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and Auxiliary, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 277 – Delegates M. Washington, Anderson, and McIntosh

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – St. Elizabeth School Indoor
Playground**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the St. Elizabeth School, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 278 – Delegates Kaiser, Campos, Chang, Hettleman, Hornberger,
C. Howard, Sophocleus, and B. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 279 – Delegate B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Prospective Responsible Bidders or Offerors – Transitioning to Be Prime Contractors

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a unit from placing certain requirements on prospective responsible bidders or offerors; prohibiting a unit from drafting specifications requiring unnecessary experience or excessive bonding on prospective responsible bidders or offerors; and generally relating to prospective responsible bidders or offerors and the application of certain procurement specifications.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 13–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 280 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Table Gaming Events

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations in Carroll County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event under certain circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a certain permit from the Board of County Commissioners for Carroll County before conducting a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet certain requirements; specifying that a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event may be managed and organized by certain organizations; prohibiting an operator of a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event from receiving compensation;

requiring individuals who participate in or help operate a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event to be of certain ages; specifying that a permit holder may receive a certain maximum number of permits in a calendar year; providing a certain time limit on a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event; specifying that a permit is not transferable; requiring that proceeds from a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event be used for certain purposes and may not be used for certain other purposes, subject to a certain exception; specifying that the operation of a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event may not occur during a certain time; authorizing a permit holder under this Act to charge only a preset entrance fee; requiring participants in a card game, card tournament, or table gaming event to use tokens and not cash for wagering under certain circumstances; prohibiting a permit holder from exchanging tokens under certain circumstances; requiring a permit holder to submit a certain financial report under certain circumstances; requiring the Board of County Commissioners to forward a certain report to the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission; authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gaming in Carroll County.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–906.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 281 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Elective Share

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “net estate”, for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to a surviving spouse making an election to take a certain share of the net estate of the decedent instead of the property left to the surviving spouse under the will, to include property of a certain revocable trust; providing that, under certain circumstances, a surviving spouse is entitled to take a certain elective share amount of the net estate instead of certain property left to the surviving spouse by will or in accordance with the trust instrument of a revocable trust of the decedent; providing that, on the election, certain property or other benefits that would have passed to the surviving spouse under the will or revocable trust of the decedent shall be treated as if the surviving spouse had died before the execution of the will or trust instrument; providing that the surviving spouse and a person claiming through the surviving spouse may not receive property under the will or revocable trust of the decedent; defining certain terms; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to surviving spouses and elective shares in the estates of decedents.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 3–203, 3–207, and 3–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 282 – Delegates Bromwell, Cluster, Jones, Miele, and West

AN ACT concerning

**Continuing Care Retirement Communities – Continuing Care Agreements –
Actuarial Studies**

FOR the purpose of altering the contents of a renewal application for a continuing care retirement community by requiring that actuarial studies reviewed by qualified actuaries be submitted on a certain basis for certain continuing care agreements; defining certain terms; and generally relating to continuing care retirement community continuing care agreements and actuarial studies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 10–401 and 10–413(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 283 – Delegates Carter, Dumais, Anderson, Moon, and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

**Award of Attorney’s Fees and Expenses – Violation of Maryland Constitutional
Right**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to award to a prevailing plaintiff reasonable attorney’s fees and expenses in certain actions seeking to remedy a violation of a Maryland constitutional right; authorizing a court to award reasonable attorney’s fees and expenses to a prevailing defendant under certain circumstances; establishing that the limit on the liability of the State under the Maryland Tort Claims Act does not include a certain award of attorney’s fees and expenses; establishing that certain limits on attorney’s fees under the Maryland Tort Claims Act do not apply to a certain award of attorney’s fees and expenses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to awarding attorney’s fees and

expenses in certain actions seeking to remedy a violation of a Maryland constitutional right.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2101 and 3–2102 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Award of Attorney’s Fees and Expenses – Violation of Maryland Constitutional Right”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 12–104(a)(2) and 12–109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 284 – Delegates Flanagan, Hill, Atterbeary, Ebersole, Kittleman, Lam, W. Miller, Pendergrass, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Local Petitions – Advance Determination of Sufficiency of Local Legislation Summary

FOR the purpose of requiring a chief election official of an election authority who is determining the sufficiency of the format of a certain petition to determine the sufficiency of any summary of local legislation that is contained in the petition; requiring the chief election official to make a certain determination within a certain time period; requiring, under certain circumstances, the chief election official to provide the sponsor of a petition with an explanation of the reasons for a certain determination; and generally relating to notices of deficiencies in the information pages of local petitions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 6–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 285 – Caroline County Delegation and Dorchester County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Caroline County and Dorchester County – Sunday Hunting

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Caroline County or Dorchester County to hunt a certain game bird or game mammal on a Sunday on certain land during the open season for that game bird or game mammal; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to Sunday hunting in Caroline County and Dorchester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 286 – Delegates O’Donnell and Fisher

AN ACT concerning

Highways – Scenic Byways – Signs

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Highway Administration to issue a permit for a certain sign along or near a scenic byway on a federal–aid primary highway if the sign was erected on or before a certain date or is a directional sign for a certain facility located in a certain area; and generally relating to signs erected along scenic byways.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–730
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 287 – Delegate O’Donnell

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture – Liability for Trespass

FOR the purpose of establishing certain damages for which certain persons are liable for entering an area leased to another person for aquaculture purposes, without the written permission of the leaseholder, to harvest, damage, or transfer shellfish in any manner or to alter, damage, or remove any markings or equipment; requiring a person who enters an area leased to another person for aquaculture purposes and

engages in certain acts to display the written permission of the leaseholder on the request of a law enforcement officer; and generally relating to liability for trespass on areas leased for aquaculture purposes.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–16
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–16.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 288 – Delegate Lafferty

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Regulation of Parking – Jurisdiction

FOR the purpose of clarifying that certain State and local entities may regulate the parking of vehicles on highways over which the entity has jurisdiction; and generally relating to State and local jurisdiction over the regulation of parking.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 25–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 26–301(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 289 – Delegates Krimm and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Culler Lake Stormwater
Management Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Friends of Baker Park, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 290 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

**Alcoholic Beverages – Winery Off-Site Permit Holders – Comptroller
Notification and Attendance Restrictions**

FOR the purpose of requiring the holder of a winery off-site permit to report certain information to the Comptroller within a time period determined by the Comptroller rather than before a certain day; repealing a certain limitation on attendance at certain events by a holder of a winery off-site permit; and generally relating to winery off-site permit holders.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2-102(a) and (e)(3) and 2-103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2-102(h) and 2-104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 291 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Direct Wine Shippers – Reporting Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring a direct wine shipper to report information about wine shipments to the Office of the Comptroller in the manner determined by the Office of the Comptroller, rather than report certain information according to a certain schedule; and generally relating to reports by direct wine shippers in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 7.5–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 292 – Delegate Lafferty

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Regulation of Parking on York Road

FOR the purpose of prohibiting Baltimore County from placing or maintaining a traffic control device that regulates parking on York Road in the county unless the county provides to certain persons notice and an opportunity to address the issue at a public hearing; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the regulation of parking on York Road in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 25–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 293 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Guardianship, Advance Directives, and Surrogates – Disabled Persons and Mental Health Services

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to appoint a guardian of the person of a disabled person for a limited period of time under certain circumstances; specifying that certain rights, duties, and powers that a court may order include the duty to file a certain report; providing that a revocation of an advance directive for mental health services by a certain declarant is not effective until a certain period of time after the request for revocation is made by the declarant; repealing the prohibition against certain surrogate decision makers authorizing treatment for a mental disorder; and

generally relating to guardianship, advance directives, and surrogate decision making.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 13–708(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 5–604 and 5–605(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 294 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Contributions – Disclosure

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law allowing a campaign finance entity of a candidate to report a certain cumulative amount of contributions of less than a certain amount from a single contributor on its campaign finance reports without identifying the amount of each contribution and the name and address of each contributor; repealing a provision of law allowing a political committee to report certain contributions collected by payroll deduction without identifying the amount of each contribution and the name and address of each contributor if certain information is included on the political committee's campaign finance report; imposing a certain limit on the total receipts a political committee may receive from the sale of raffle tickets in an election cycle without identifying the amount of each contribution and the name and address of each contributor; making conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to disclosure of campaign contributions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–240 and 13–304(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 295 – Delegates Gilchrist, Barve, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre and Social Hall

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rockville for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 296 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Public Facilities Bonds

FOR the purpose of authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$17,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Carroll County, including water and sewer projects, to finance loans for fire or emergency-related equipment, buildings, and other facilities of volunteer fire departments in the County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; empowering the County to fix and determine, by resolution, the form, tenor, interest rate or rates or method of determining the same, terms, conditions, maturities, and all other details incident to the issuance and sale of the bonds; empowering the County to issue refunding bonds for the purchase or redemption of bonds in advance of maturity; providing that such borrowing may be undertaken by the County in the form of installment purchase obligations executed and delivered by the County for the purpose of acquiring agricultural land and woodland preservation easements; empowering and directing the County to levy, impose, and collect, annually, ad valorem taxes in rate and amount sufficient to provide funds for the payment of the maturing principal of and interest on the bonds; exempting the bonds and refunding bonds and the interest thereon and any income derived therefrom from all State, County, municipal, and other taxation in the State of Maryland; providing that nothing in this Act shall prevent the County from authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds the interest on which is not excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes; and generally relating to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 297 – Delegate M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Tuition Exemption –
Modification**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of unaccompanied homeless youth by requiring a determination of homelessness by a certain individual or certain documentation; requiring a financial aid administrator to annually make a certain verification; and generally relating to the tuition exemption for unaccompanied homeless youth.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 15–106.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 298 – Delegates Kaiser, Aumann, B. Barnes, Carr, Chang, Cullison, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Ghrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hixson, Jackson, Jones, Krebs, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, McComas, McCray, McDonough, McIntosh, Moon, Morhaim, Pendergrass, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, Simonaire, Sophocleus, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Waldstreicher, Walker, A. Washington, M. Washington, B. Wilson, C. Wilson, P. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Education – Student Data Privacy Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring certain operators of certain Internet sites, services, and applications to protect certain student information from unauthorized access, to implement and maintain certain security procedures and practices, and to delete certain student information under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain operators from engaging in certain activities with respect to certain sites, services, and applications relating to targeted advertising, selling certain student information, and disclosing certain student information under certain circumstances; providing that certain operators may use certain de-identified or aggregated student information under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to student data privacy.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 4–131
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 299 – Delegates McConkey, Beidle, Saab, Sophocleus, and Vitale

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Crownsville Treatment Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Gaudenzia Foundation, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 300 – Delegates Korman, Platt, Angel, Barkley, D. Barnes, Barron, Campos, Carr, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frick, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hettleman, Jackson, Kaiser, Kelly, Knotts, Kramer, Krebs, Krimm, Lam, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Department of Transportation – Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Services – Utilization Study

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, to study certain matters relating to the utilization of transportation services provided by the Authority; requiring the Department to collect, analyze, and evaluate certain information; requiring that the information used in the study be gathered from data obtained within a certain period of time; requiring that information used in the study pertaining to Maryland jurisdictions be organized in a certain manner; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a study of the utilization of transportation services provided by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 301 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Atterbeary, Campos, Conaway, Glenn, Moon, Morales, Rosenberg, Smith, Waldstreicher, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Segregated Confinement – Report

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to make an annual report on segregated confinement to the Governor; requiring certain information be included in the report; defining certain terms; making provisions of this Act severable; and generally related to segregated confinement.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 2–601 and 2–602 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Segregated Confinement Report”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 302 – Delegates Simonaire, Cassilly, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, and Reilly

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund – Use of Funds

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish a Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used only for certain purposes except under certain circumstances; prohibiting the transfer of funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to the General Fund or a special fund of the State except under certain circumstances; providing that this amendment does not apply to the allocation or use of certain funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund for counties, municipalities, or Baltimore City or to a transfer of certain funds to the BayStat Subcabinet agencies, in accordance with law; authorizing funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used for a purpose not related to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays or transferred to the General Fund or a special fund of the State if the Governor and the General Assembly take certain action; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution

Article III – Legislative Department

Section 53A

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 303 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Glenn, Holmes, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, and Valentino-Smith

AN ACT concerning

Inmates – Life Imprisonment – Parole Reform

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions that provide that inmates serving a term of life imprisonment may be paroled only with the Governor's approval, subject to certain provisions; requiring certain parole decisions to be transmitted to the Governor under certain circumstances; authorizing the Governor to disapprove certain parole decisions in a certain manner; providing that if the Governor does not disapprove a certain parole decision in a certain manner within a certain time period, the decision becomes effective; and generally relating to sentences of life imprisonment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 4-305(b) and 7-301(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 304 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Barron, Branch, Conaway, Glass, Glenn, Gutierrez, Haynes, Jalisi, Lierman, McCray, Moon, Oaks, Pena-Melnyk, Proctor, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement of Records

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law that provides that a person is not entitled to expungement of the person's record if the petition for expungement is based on a certain case disposition and the person, since the disposition, has been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation; and generally relating to expungement of records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10-105(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 305 – Delegates W. Miller, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, S. Howard, Impallaria, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, O'Donnell, Parrott, Reilly, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Administrative Procedure Act – Limitation on Adoption of Regulations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a unit authorized by law to adopt regulations from adopting proposed regulations during a certain time period under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the adoption of proposed regulations under the Administrative Procedure Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 10–101(a) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 10–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 306 – Delegates Grammer, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Cluster, Folden, Ghrist, Glass, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, Morgan, Otto, Reilly, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Firearm Decriminalization Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain exception to the prohibition against carrying a deadly weapon on public school property; repealing the prohibition on the possession or use of certain firearm ammunition during and in relation to the commission of a certain crime of violence; altering the authorization for a person to wear, carry, or transport a handgun; repealing the designation of certain firearms as assault

weapons; repealing the prohibition on certain persons transporting an assault weapon into the State or possessing, selling, offering to sell, transferring, purchasing, or receiving an assault weapon; prohibiting, with certain exceptions, a person from transporting an assault pistol into the State or possessing, selling, offering to sell, transferring, purchasing, or receiving an assault pistol; altering the maximum capacity of rounds of ammunition allowable to be manufactured, sold, offered for sale, purchased, received, or transferred for a firearm; repealing a certain exception to the prohibition against the manufacturing, selling, offering for sale, purchasing, receiving, or transferring of a detachable magazine with a certain maximum capacity for a firearm; repealing the requirement for a certain hearing officer, after making a certain determination, to order certain individuals to surrender, under certain circumstances, firearms in the individual's possession; repealing the prohibition on an individual, while hunting for any wild bird or mammal, from shooting or discharging a firearm within a certain distance of a public or nonpublic school during certain times; requiring the Police Training Commission to adopt certain regulations and requirements for a certain firearms safety training course; repealing the requirement for the Secretary of State Police to disapprove an application for a State-regulated firearms dealer's license upon a certain determination by the Secretary; repealing the requirement for the Secretary to include certain information in a certain notice upon the denial of a State-regulated firearms dealer's license application; repealing the authorization for the Secretary to suspend a dealer's license if the licensee is not in compliance with certain record keeping and reporting requirements; repealing the authorization for the Secretary to lift a certain license suspension under certain circumstances; repealing the requirement that a certain person present or possess a certain handgun qualification license issued by the Secretary or certain credentials or identifications before selling, purchasing, renting, transferring, or receiving a certain regulated firearm; repealing certain requirements and procedures for the issuance and renewal of a certain handgun qualification license; repealing the authorization for the Secretary to revoke a certain handgun qualification license under certain circumstances; repealing the requirement for a certain person to return a certain handgun qualification license under certain circumstances; repealing the requirements and procedures for the issuance of a replacement handgun qualification license; repealing certain fees; altering the information required in a certain statement for a certain firearm application; altering the circumstances under which a person is prohibited from possessing a certain regulated firearm; establishing that a certain person is exempted from the requirement to complete a certain firearms training course under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain licensee or designated law enforcement agency to transfer a certain firearm application to the Secretary by certified mail or facsimile machine; repealing the prohibition from a certain person possessing certain ammunition if the person is prohibited from possessing a certain firearm under certain circumstances; repealing the requirement for certain persons to provide certain data about a certain person to a certain federal index in a certain manner under certain circumstances; repealing the authorization for a certain person who is subject to certain prohibitions from possessing certain firearms to apply for certain relief from certain prohibitions under certain circumstances; repealing the procedures and requirements for a person who

is subject to certain prohibitions on the possession of certain firearms to apply for certain relief from certain prohibitions; repealing the authorization for the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations; repealing the requirement for a person who moves into the State for the purpose of establishing residency to register certain firearms within a certain period of time with the Secretary of State Police in a certain manner; repealing the requirement that a licensed dealer keep records of all receipts, sales, and other dispositions of firearms affected in connection with the licensed dealer's business; repealing the requirement that the Secretary adopt certain regulations specifying certain information; repealing the requirement that the records that licensed dealers maintain include certain information; repealing certain record keeping requirements to be met when a firearms business is discontinued; repealing the requirement that a licensee respond in a certain way after receipt of a request from the Secretary for certain information; repealing the authorization for the Secretary to implement a system by which a certain person may request certain information; repealing the requirement for the Secretary to inspect the inventory and records of a license dealer under certain circumstances; repealing the requirement for the Secretary to conduct a certain inspection during a certain time; repealing the requirement that certain persons who sell or transfer regulated firearms notify certain purchasers or recipients at the time of purchase or transfer that the purchaser or recipient is required to report a lost or stolen regulated firearm to a certain law enforcement agency; repealing the requirement that the owner of a regulated firearm report the loss or theft of a regulated firearm to a certain law enforcement agency within a certain period of time after the owner discovers the loss or theft; repealing the requirement for a law enforcement agency on receipt of a report of a lost or stolen regulated firearm to enter certain information into a certain database; altering the circumstances under which a person is prohibited from possessing a rifle or shotgun; repealing the requirement that a certain applicant for a certain firearm permit complete a certain firearm training course under certain circumstances; repealing the authorization for the Secretary, under certain circumstances, to issue a certain handgun qualification license without an additional application or fee; repealing the prohibition against the public inspection of the records of certain regulated firearm dealers, owners, or permit holders; repealing the authorization for the individual named in the record and the individual's attorney to view certain records; altering the definitions of certain terms; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 4–102 and 4–203(b); and 4–301 through 4–306 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 3. Assault Pistols and Detachable Magazines”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Criminal Law

Section 4–110

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General
Section 10–632(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 3–208, 5–101, 5–110(a) and (b), 5–114(a), 5–115, 5–118(b), 5–120, 5–133,
5–144, 5–205, 5–206, 5–301, and 5–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1, 5–133.1, 5–133.2, 5–133.3, 5–143, 5–145, and 5–146
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety
Section 5–119
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – General Provisions
Section 4–325
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 307 – Delegates Conaway, Hayes, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – 908–912 Washington Boulevard
Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Pigtown Main Street, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 308 – Delegates Conaway, Carter, Glenn, Haynes, Moon, Oaks,
B. Robinson, and Smith**

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Law Enforcement Officers – Video Cameras

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain law enforcement officer to wear a video camera affixed to the law enforcement officer's uniform while on duty; requiring that a recording be preserved by a law enforcement agency for a certain period of time; requiring a law enforcement agency to develop certain policies and procedures; providing that this Act does not apply to a law enforcement officer who is on detective duty; providing that it is lawful under a certain provision of law for a certain law enforcement officer to intercept a certain oral communication; defining a certain term; and generally relating to law enforcement officers and video cameras.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety
Section 3–510
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–402(c)(11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NO. 1 – FISCAL YEAR 2016

(See Exhibit D of Appendix II)

Read and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

MEMORANDUM

To: Hon. Kumar P. Barve, Chairman, ENV
From: Michael E. Busch, Speaker
Re: Reassignment of Bill(s)

In accordance with Rule 33, you are hereby requested to return to the Office of the Chief Clerk, the following legislation for reassignment as indicated below:

<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Reassignment</u>
HB 153	JUD

Read and ordered journalized.

JOINT SESSION

Delegates Hill and Smith escorted the Senate into the House Chamber.

President Miller called for the Senate roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 79A)

Speaker Busch called for the House roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 135 Members present.

(See House Roll Call No. 44)

A majority of both the House and the Senate being present, Speaker Busch declared both bodies in Joint Session.

Senators Klausmeier, Hershey and Peters and Delegates Simonaire, Cassilly and Angel escorted the Lieutenant Governor to the Rostrum.

Senators Pugh, Jennings and Edwards and Delegates Miele, S. Howard and Lisanti escorted the Chief Executive to the Speaker's Rostrum.

Speaker Busch presented the Chief Executive of Maryland, Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.

The Chief Executive addressed the General Assembly.

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REMARKS OF GOVERNOR LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR.

(See Exhibit E of Appendix II)

Senators Pugh, Jennings and Edwards and Delegates Miele, S. Howard and Lisanti escorted the Chief Executive from the Chamber.

Senators Klausmeier, Hershey and Peters and Delegates Simonaire, Cassilly and Angel escorted the Lieutenant Governor from the Chamber.

President Miller moved the Senate be adjourned.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 45)

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:52 P.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 5, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, February 5, 2015

The House met at 10:02 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Jay Jalisi of Baltimore County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 130 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 46)

The Journal of February 4, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Anderson – doctor’s appointment

Del. Davis – illness

Del. Vaughn – funeral

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 309 – Delegate Cullison

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice – Renewal of Licenses

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice to stagger the terms of certain licenses; providing that, before a certain date, a license to practice occupational therapy or limited occupational therapy may be renewed for a certain term; providing that, during a certain time period, a license expires on a date set by the Board and may be renewed in a certain manner; requiring the Board to renew licenses in a certain manner during a certain time period; providing that, beginning on a certain date, a license expires on the date set by the Board unless the license is renewed for a certain term; and generally relating to the renewal of licenses by the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 10–311
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 310 – Delegates Glenn, Anderson, Carter, Conaway, Haynes, Oaks, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Partially Elected School Board

FOR the purpose of increasing the number of members of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners; requiring a certain number of members of the board to be elected at large by the voters of Baltimore City; requiring certain members of the board to be elected at a certain election and in accordance with certain provisions of law; providing for the staggering of the terms of certain members and for the termination of the term of certain members of the board; providing for the removal of, and hearings and appeal procedures for, the elected members of the board; providing for the application of this Act; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners and the selection of members.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–108.1 and 3–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 311 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Supermarkets – Class B and Class BLX Licenses

FOR the purpose of exempting the issuance of a certain Class B or Class BLX on-sale beer, wine and liquor license for a certain corporation from certain residency requirements; exempting the issuance of a Class B or Class BLX on-sale beer, wine and liquor license on behalf of a certain supermarket or supermarket chain store from a certain prohibition against the issuance of more than one license for the use of a corporation in Baltimore City or any county of the State; exempting the issuance of a Class B or Class BLX on-sale beer, wine and liquor license on behalf of a certain supermarket or supermarket chain store from a certain prohibition against the issuance of a Class B beer, wine and liquor license for use in conjunction with or on the premises of a supermarket or supermarket chain store; and generally relating to the issuance of licenses on behalf of supermarkets.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–101(a)(1) and 9–102(a) and (a–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–102(b–10)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 312 – Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Maryland
Judicial Conference)**

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Secured Transactions – False Records

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from causing a record to be filed or recorded with a filing office under certain circumstances; authorizing a filing office to refuse to accept a record for filing or recording under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain person to file a request to terminate a filed record under certain circumstances; requiring the request to be accompanied by a certain affidavit; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to adopt by regulation and make available a certain request form and affidavit; requiring a filing office, on the filing office's refusal to accept a record or on receipt of a request to terminate a filed record, to send to certain persons a request to provide certain information; authorizing a filing office to terminate a record under certain circumstances; prohibiting a filing office from charging or refunding certain fees; requiring a filing office to notify certain persons of a certain decision; establishing that the sole remedy of a party aggrieved by a filing office's decision is to file a certain petition in the circuit court for the county where certain property is located; providing for the parties to the proceeding; requiring the prevailing party to provide a copy of the court order to the filing office under certain circumstances; requiring the filing office to take certain actions on receipt of the court order; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to secured transactions.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 9–501.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 313 – Delegate Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Administration – Temporary Registration Plates – Regulations

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt regulations to govern the issuance of a temporary registration plate to a vehicle buyer that accepts delivery of the vehicle before all the agreements of the parties become final; and generally relating to regulations governing the issuance of temporary registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 13–602

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 314 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Holmes, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Knights of St. John Hall

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$190,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Knights of St. John, Ascension Commandery 283, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 315 – Delegates Morhaim, Hettleman, Lafferty, Stein, and West

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Lake Roland Education Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$340,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 316 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Licenses in Takoma Park
MC 29–15**

FOR the purpose of altering the name of certain licenses that were issued in a certain portion of the City of Takoma Park that was formerly part of Prince George’s County; repealing a prohibition against the issuance of a certain license in the Town of Takoma Park; repealing certain obsolete language; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses issued to licensed premises that were located in the portion of the City of Takoma Park that was formerly part of Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 5–401(q), 6–201(q)(2), and 8–216(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–101(q) and 6–201(q)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 317 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Morales, Cullison, Frick, Kaiser, Kelly,
Korman, Kramer, and Reznik**

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Yeshiva Torah School of
Greater Washington**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$60,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Yeshiva of Greater Washington, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 318 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Harford County – Warrant Intercept Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Harford County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Harford County; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 319 – Delegate Beitzel

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Garrett County – Emergency Operations Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of County Commissioners of Garrett County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 320 – Allegany County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Allegany County – Allegany County Animal Shelter Adoption and Care Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Allegany County Animal Shelter Management Foundation, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 321 – Delegates Cullison, Carr, Frush, Gaines, Gutierrez, Kelly, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Funeral Establishments – Pre-Need Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain buyer or beneficiary of a pre-need contract to contact the Maryland State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors and request the Board to conduct an audit of certain licensees; requiring the Board to conduct a certain audit within a certain number of days after a certain request; requiring a certain disclosure statement for a pre-need contract to state that the buyer or beneficiary of the pre-need contract is authorized to contact the Board and request a certain audit; requiring certain funeral establishments to submit certain reports on certain pre-need contracts to the Board on or after a certain date; providing that certain reports are not public records and may be made available only to certain persons; establishing requirements for certain reports on certain pre-need contracts; and generally relating to reporting and audit requirements for pre-need contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7-101(a), (d), (k), (p), and (v) and 7-405(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7-205(b) and 7-405(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7-205(d) and 7-405(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 322 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Charitable Gaming

FOR the purpose of creating in Harford County a permit to be issued by the Sheriff of Harford County that authorizes certain nonprofit organizations to conduct a gaming contest in Harford County; specifying certain requirements that organizations must meet to be issued a permit; specifying a certain maximum number of gaming contests an organization may hold in a year and the location and hours for conducting a

gaming contest; authorizing certain games to be conducted at a gaming contest under certain circumstances; specifying the maximum bet a single individual may place on a game; specifying that alcoholic beverages may be served or sold under certain conditions; prohibiting profits or proceeds from being paid to certain persons under certain circumstances; authorizing certain organizations to use certain proceeds for certain purposes after certain costs are deducted; requiring the holder of a permit to meet certain financial reporting requirements; authorizing the sheriff to refuse to issue a permit under certain conditions; requiring the sheriff to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining a certain term; and generally relating to gaming contests in Harford County.

BY renumbering

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1512

to be Section 13–1513

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1512

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 323 – Delegate Impallaria

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Building Performance Standards – Energy Codes – Local Authority

FOR the purpose of authorizing a local jurisdiction to adopt local amendments to the Maryland Building Performance Standards that are equivalent to the requirements of certain international energy conservation and energy efficiency codes; and generally relating to building performance standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 12–504

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 324 – Delegate Branch

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Madison East End Multipurpose Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$40,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the MEE Multi Purpose Center East and Development, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 325 – Delegates Lierman, Clippinger, and Hammen

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Peale Center for Baltimore Architecture and History

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Peale Center for Baltimore History and Architecture, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 326 – Delegate Krimm

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Monocacy River Watershed – Water Resources Plan

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of the Environment to engage with the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin on the development and implementation of a certain water resources plan for a certain portion of the Monocacy River watershed; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Monocacy River watershed.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 327 – Delegate Kelly

AN ACT concerning

Health – Ambulatory Surgical Facility – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of an ambulatory surgical facility under provisions of law governing freestanding ambulatory care facilities in the State to conform with federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regulations; and generally relating to ambulatory surgical facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–3B–01(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–3B–01(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 328 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Applications for Licenses

FOR the purpose of exempting a certain application for an alcoholic beverages license in Harford County from a requirement for a certain certificate signed by a certain number of citizens who are owners of real estate and registered voters of the precinct in which the business is to be conducted; and generally relating to applications for alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 10–103(b)(18)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 329 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Inspectors

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board and general manager to appoint alcoholic beverages inspectors as necessary to provide appropriate control over any newly created alcoholic beverages licenses; repealing certain provisions of law governing the authority of the Board and general manager to appoint additional alcoholic beverages inspectors; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages inspectors in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–112(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–112(n)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 330 – Allegany County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Micro–Breweries and Farm Breweries

FOR the purpose of authorizing the holder of a micro–brewery or farm brewery license to apply for and obtain one or more certain additional licenses for the same or another premises; providing that certain provisions of law that prohibit a holder of a micro–brewery license from owning, operating, or being affiliated with certain other manufacturers of beer, or being granted a wholesaler alcoholic beverages license, do not apply in Allegany County or Frederick County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages manufacturers in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–201(b) and 2–208(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 331 – Delegates Vitale and Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Licenses

FOR the purpose of allowing an alcoholic beverages licensee in Anne Arundel County to be issued a second or third license if the restaurant for which the license is sought is located in a shopping center that is zoned MXD–C General Commercial; specifying that the prohibition against issuing more than one license to a person does not apply to hotel–limited service (on–sale) licenses; specifying that the prohibition against granting a new license in a building located within a certain distance from a church or school does not apply to any Class BLX (deluxe restaurant) (on–sale) beer, wine and liquor license; authorizing a holder of a Class BLX license to obtain, under certain circumstances, a special music license, special entertainment license, special dancing license, special outdoor license, or special outdoor entertainment license; prohibiting a holder of a Class BLX license that is located within a certain distance from a church or school from obtaining a special dancing license; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses issued in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–202.1(a), 9–102(a) and 9–203(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–202.1(j)(3)(v) and (k)(2)(v), 9–102(i), 9–203(c)(3), and 12–202(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 332 – Delegates Carey, Beidle, and Sophocleus

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Chesapeake Arts Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Chesapeake Arts Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 333 – Delegates Fisher, Jackson, and O’Donnell

AN ACT concerning

Electronic Bingo and Electronic Tip Jars – Distribution of Admissions and Amusement Tax Revenues

FOR the purpose of altering the distribution of revenue from the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars; repealing obsolete provisions; and generally relating to the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 4–105(a–1)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–1901(f)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 334 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Harford County – Ladew Topiary Gardens

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Trustees of the Ladew Topiary Gardens, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance

or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 335 – Delegates Lafferty and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax – Credits for Property in Neighborhood Conservation Area

FOR the purpose of establishing a property tax credit against the State property tax imposed on certain real property located in a neighborhood conservation area under certain circumstances; establishing the amount of the property tax credit subject to a certain limitation; authorizing the Department of Assessments and Taxation to establish certain procedures; altering the years in which certain properties must be purchased in order to qualify for a certain county or municipal corporation property tax credit for certain owner-occupied, residential real property in certain designated areas; altering the criteria used by the Department of Housing and Community Development to adopt regulations that establish application procedures for the designation of certain neighborhood conservation areas; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to property tax credits for property located in a neighborhood conservation area.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–110

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–255

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 336 – Delegates Carr, Cassilly, Chang, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – State Funds – Energy Efficient Outdoor Lighting Fixtures

FOR the purpose of expanding the prohibition on the use of State funds to install or replace certain luminaires by applying the prohibition to all permanent outdoor luminaires unless the luminaires meet certain requirements; establishing certain requirements

for luminaires intended for certain lighting purposes; establishing certain circumstances that require the use of certain fully shielded luminaires; providing that certain requirements do not apply to certain public work contracts or certain projects funded in the capital budget; adding to certain requirements that the Board of Public Works is authorized to waive; requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt certain regulations to establish a certain process and schedule for certain waiver requests; defining certain terms; repealing a certain definition; and generally relating to the use of State funds and energy efficient outdoor lighting fixtures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–412
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 337 – Delegates Carter, Morales, Anderson, Brooks, Dumais, Hornberger, Jalisi, Moon, Rosenberg, Smith, Stein, Sydnor, Tarlau, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Sentencing Review and Parole Eligibility – Juvenile Offenders Sentenced As Adults

FOR the purpose of authorizing parole eligibility for a certain person at a certain time under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain parole hearing at certain times for a certain person not granted parole under certain circumstances; authorizing representation of counsel for a certain person under certain circumstances; requiring a certain hearing officer, a certain member of the Maryland Parole Commission, or the Maryland Parole Commission to consider certain information at a certain parole hearing under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; prohibiting a court from imposing a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole on a certain person under certain circumstances; requiring a court to consider certain circumstances when determining a certain sentence for a certain person; authorizing a court to suspend all or any portion of a certain sentence if the defendant was under a certain age at the time of the offense; authorizing a court to allow all or any portion of a sentence to be served with the benefit of parole if the defendant was under a certain age at the time of the offense; altering the number of applications for sentence review that a certain person may file under certain circumstances; requiring a certain review panel to hold a certain hearing for each application for review of sentence filed by a certain person; requiring a certain review panel to consider certain information; authorizing a certain review panel to alter a certain sentence under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain review panel from altering a certain sentence under certain circumstances; and generally relating to juvenile offenders sentenced as adults.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 7–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 7–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Correctional Services
Section 7–310
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 14–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–234
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 8–102 and 8–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 338 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Glass, Holmes, Moon, Oaks,
B. Robinson, Smith, and M. Washington**

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – SWAT Team – Deployment and Reporting

FOR the purpose of authorizing the deployment of a SWAT team only under certain circumstances; requiring a law enforcement agency to create a certain report before the deployment of a SWAT team, with a certain exception; requiring, at certain intervals beginning on a certain date, a law enforcement agency that maintains a SWAT team to report certain information to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention using a certain format; requiring the Police Training Commission, in consultation with the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, to develop a standardized format that certain law enforcement agencies shall use in reporting certain data relating to the activation and deployment of certain SWAT teams to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention and to certain local officials; requiring a law enforcement agency to compile certain information as a report in a certain format and to submit the report to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention no later than a certain date following the period that is the subject of the report; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention to analyze and summarize certain reports of law enforcement agencies and to submit a report of the analyses and summaries to the Governor, the General Assembly, and each law enforcement agency before a certain date each year; providing that, if a law enforcement agency fails to comply with the reporting provisions of this Act, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention shall report the noncompliance to the Police Training Commission; providing that the Commission shall contact a certain law enforcement agency and request that the agency comply with this Act under certain circumstances; providing that, if a certain law enforcement agency fails to comply with certain reporting provisions within a certain period, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention and the Commission jointly shall make a certain report to the Governor and the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the activation and deployment of SWAT teams.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–507

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 339 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Conaway, Moon, Oaks, B. Robinson, Smith, Sydnor, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Race–Based Traffic Stops – Policy and Reporting Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain law enforcement officers record certain information pertaining to traffic stops; requiring certain law enforcement agencies to report certain information to the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center; requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a certain format and guidelines and a

standardized format for the reporting of certain data; requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a certain model policy; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to analyze certain data based on a methodology developed in conjunction with the Police Training Commission; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to make certain reports to the General Assembly, the Governor, and law enforcement agencies; requiring law enforcement agency policies regarding race-based traffic stops to provide for certain reviews of certain data and reports for certain purposes; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to report to the Police Training Commission those law enforcement agencies that fail to comply with certain reporting requirements; requiring certain actions following a report on the failure of a law enforcement agency to comply; providing certain exceptions applicable to law enforcement agencies that are subject to certain agreements; defining certain terms; and generally relating to law enforcement procedures and traffic stops.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – Transportation
 Section 25–113
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 340 – Delegates Haynes, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Aumann, Barkley, Barron, Barve, Beidle, Branch, Brooks, Carr, Carter, Chang, Clippinger, Conaway, Cullison, Davis, Ebersole, Fennell, Folden, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frush, Gaines, Ghrist, Gilchrist, Glass, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, Hixson, Holmes, Hornberger, C. Howard, Jackson, Jacobs, Jalisi, Jameson, Kaiser, Kipke, Knotts, Korman, Kramer, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McConkey, McCray, McIntosh, McKay, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morgan, Morhaim, Oaks, Patterson, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, Proctor, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample-Hughes, Smith, Sophocleus, Stein, Sydnor, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino-Smith, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, Walker, A. Washington, West, C. Wilson, P. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Thurgood Marshall Day

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain day as Thurgood Marshall Day; requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to observe Thurgood Marshall Day properly; and generally relating to Thurgood Marshall Day.

BY renumbering
 Article – General Provisions
 Section 7–411 through 7–413, respectively

to be Section 7–412 through 7–414, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 341 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

Underground Utility Damage Prevention – Connecting Buildings to Sewerage Systems – Detectable Wires

FOR the purpose of requiring that any new or replacement piping that is buried or installed for the purpose of connecting a building to a sewerage system be buried or installed with a certain wire that makes the piping detectable; requiring that the wire buried or installed with the piping meet certain product criteria and certain installation criteria and run from certain locations along the piping and sewerage system; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to underground utility damage prevention through the use of detectable wires to connect buildings to sewerage systems.

BY adding to
Article – Environment
Section 9–223.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 12–129 and 24–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 342 – Delegate Luedtke

AN ACT concerning

Special Education – Related Services Providers – Consortium

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education to establish a consortium of qualified substitute related services providers who may assist in delivering certain services in the absence of the regular related services provider; and generally relating to the delivery of services to children with disabilities.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 8–404.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 343 – Delegate Impallaria

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Construction Contracts – Retention Proceeds – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain limitations, and certain exceptions to certain limitations, on the retention proceeds under the terms of certain construction contracts or of any payment due to a contractor or a subcontractor under the terms of certain construction contracts; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to construction contracts and retention proceeds.

BY repealing

Article – Real Property

Section 9–304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 344 – Delegates A. Washington, Pena–Melnyk, Angel, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Campos, Carr, Conaway, Ebersole, Fennell, Frush, Hayes, Healey, Holmes, Hornberger, Kelly, Kipke, Kittleman, McMillan, Metzgar, A. Miller, W. Miller, B. Robinson, Shoemaker, Tarlau, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, Walker, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Education – Due Process Hearings for Children With Disabilities – Burden of Proof

FOR the purpose of requiring certain public agencies to bear a certain burden of proof in due process hearings that are held to resolve a dispute relating to the provision of a

free appropriate public education to children with disabilities; providing a certain exception that requires a parent or guardian seeking tuition reimbursement for a unilateral placement of a student by the parent or guardian to bear a certain burden of proof; establishing that a certain provision of law is not intended to change certain record-keeping requirements or what constitutes a free appropriate public education under federal or State law; and generally relating to the burden of proof in certain due process hearings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–413
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 345 – Delegates Lierman and Clippinger

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Flexible Leave – Use of Leave for Family Illness

FOR the purpose of providing that an agreement between an employer and employee to waive the employee’s right to use certain leave with pay due to illness of the employee’s immediate family is void; prohibiting an employer from taking certain adverse actions against an employee because the employee requested certain leave; and generally relating to leave with pay for an illness of the immediate family.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–802(d) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 346 – Delegates Morales, Pena–Melnyk, Angel, Atterbeary, D. Barnes, Campos, Carter, Chang, Dumais, Frick, Jackson, Kipke, Kittleman, Moon, Patterson, Platt, Smith, Sydnor, Vallario, Waldstreicher, Walker, A. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Court Personnel – Altering References From Master to Magistrate

FOR the purpose of altering references to the term “master” to “magistrate” in provisions of law prohibiting certain individuals from practicing law or preparing or helping to

prepare certain documents while employed in a certain capacity, in provisions concerning the appointment and employment of circuit court personnel, in provisions concerning the appointment, powers, and duties of juvenile court masters, in provisions concerning mediation of certain matters, in provisions requiring oral testimony in an action for alimony, annulment, or divorce, and in provisions relating to the Judges' Retirement System; and generally relating to circuit court and juvenile court masters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 10–603(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–102(a), 2–501(a) and (e), 3–807, 3–8A–04, and 3–1802(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 1–203(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 27–201(a), 27–304(c), and 27–402(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 347 – Delegates Valentino–Smith and Afzali

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Child Abuse and Neglect – Waiver of Reunification Efforts

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a local department of social services may ask the court in a child in need of assistance proceeding to find that reasonable efforts to reunify the child with the child's parent or guardian are not required; defining a certain term; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–812
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 348 – Delegates Rosenberg and Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Civil Right to Counsel – Implementation

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to include in the budget bill for each fiscal year a certain appropriation to provide legal representation to certain parties in certain protective order proceedings; requiring certain amounts to be allocated to certain programs; establishing a Judicare Pilot Program; establishing the purpose of the pilot program; requiring the pilot program to be implemented in certain jurisdictions; providing for the administration of the pilot program; requiring representation to be provided by certain attorneys; requiring the Governor to include in the budget bill for each fiscal year a certain appropriation to fund the pilot program; establishing the amount and allocation of the appropriation; establishing that money appropriated under this Act for the pilot program shall be used to supplement and not supplant certain existing funding; establishing a workgroup to monitor implementation of a civil right to counsel; providing for the membership, chair, staffing, and duties of the workgroup; providing that members of the workgroup may not receive compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for expenses; requiring the workgroup to report its findings and recommendations on or before a certain date; and generally relating to providing legal representation for certain parties in certain civil matters.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law
Section 4–512.2 and 9–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 13–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 349 – Delegate B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

**Procurement Preferences – Blind Industries and Services of Maryland –
Janitorial Products**

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a State or State aided or controlled entity include in certain maintenance contracts a requirement that a prime contractor procure certain products from the Blind Industries and Services of Maryland under certain circumstances; and generally relating to procurement preferences related to the Blind Industries and Services of Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 350 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Dumais, Rey, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Child Custody and Visitation – Deployed Parents

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a court, in any child custody or visitation proceeding, from making any negative inference regarding a parent’s past, present, or future deployment; altering certain provisions relating to certain expedited hearings; authorizing a party or witness who is subject to deployment to provide testimony and present evidence by electronic means or by telephone under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to grant custody or visitation on behalf of a deployed parent to another individual under certain circumstances; requiring a certain custody or visitation agreement to be in writing and signed under certain circumstances; specifying that a certain agreement is effective for the period of deployment of a parent; establishing the primary residence of a parent who is subject to deployment for purposes of determining jurisdiction in a child custody or visitation proceeding; and generally relating to child custody and visitation and deployed parents.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 9–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 351 – Delegates Lafferty, Aumann, Barkley, Bromwell, Brooks,
Clippinger, Glenn, Lierman, and Lisanti**

AN ACT concerning

**Corporations and Associations – Limited Liability Companies – Company
Representative**

FOR the purpose of requiring a limited liability company to have a company representative; requiring the articles of organization, articles of cancellation, and articles of reinstatement of a limited liability company to include the name and street address of its company representative; applying to a company representative certain provisions of law relating to a change of a resident agent, a change of address of a resident agent, or a resignation of a resident agent of a limited liability company; requiring a foreign limited liability company to include the name and street address of its company representative in an application for registration submitted to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; defining a certain term; making a stylistic change; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to company representatives and limited liability companies.

BY renumbering

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 4A–101(g) through (t), respectively
to be Section 4A–101(h) through (u), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 4A–101(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 4A–204(a), 4A–210, 4A–909, 4A–916, and 4A–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 352 – Delegates Rosenberg, Kipke, Kramer, Morhaim, Tarlau,
Waldstreicher, and K. Young**

AN ACT concerning

Life Insurance – Freedom to Travel Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an insurer from taking certain actions relating to life insurance coverage solely for reasons associated with an applicant's or insured's future lawful travel plans unless certain conditions are met; deeming an insurer to meet the conditions for the otherwise prohibited actions under certain circumstances; and generally relating to life insurance and future lawful travel plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 27–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 353 – Delegate Cullison

AN ACT concerning

**State Government – Automated Mapping–Geographic Information Systems –
System Services Costs**

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority of certain governmental units to adopt a fee structure to cover certain costs for system services; altering a certain definition for the purpose of repealing the authority of certain governmental units to adopt a fee structure to cover certain costs relating to existing system products; repealing a requirement that a person must contract with a governmental unit for certain online access to geographic data; making conforming changes; and generally relating to automated mapping–geographic information systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 10–901 through 10–904
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing
Article – State Government
Section 10–905
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 354 – Calvert County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Task Force to Study the Commemoration of Harriet Elizabeth Brown

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Commemoration of Harriet Elizabeth Brown; providing for the composition and chair of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study, hold public hearings, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Commemoration of Harriet Elizabeth Brown.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 355 – Delegate Kelly

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Dental Services for Adults – Coverage and Access

FOR the purpose of requiring, beginning on a certain date, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide dental services to postpartum women during a certain period; requiring that certain dental services for postpartum women be included as a benefit under a certain program under the Program; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in conjunction with certain entities, to work with stakeholders to identify certain options for expanding access to dental services; requiring the Department to report its findings to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to coverage of and access to dental services for adults.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 15–103(a)(1) and (2)(ii) and (b)(1) and (2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 15–103(a)(2)(xi) and (xii) and (b)(2)(v)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 15–103(a)(2)(xiii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 356 – Delegate Beitzel

AN ACT concerning

**Department of General Services – Deep Creek Lake Buy Down Area Program –
Extension**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of General Services to establish a program to offer the owners of certain properties adjoining Deep Creek Lake the right to purchase certain land at a price not to exceed a certain amount; requiring the program to be administered in a certain manner; providing that the parcels sold under the program are subject to the same covenants and restrictions as parcels sold under a similar program; providing that the proceeds received from the sale of any property under the program be disposed of in a certain manner; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the disposition of certain properties around Deep Creek Lake.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

**House Bill 357 – Delegates B. Barnes, Beidle, Carr, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush,
Gilchrist, Healey, Holmes, Knotts, Lafferty, Lam, McCray, McIntosh,
Pena–Melnyk, S. Robinson, Stein, and Tarlau**

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Prohibition Against Smoking in Vehicle Containing Young Child

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the driver of a motor vehicle in which a person who is under a certain age is a passenger from smoking a tobacco product or allowing a passenger to smoke in the motor vehicle; establishing a penalty for a violation of this Act; providing that a violation of this Act is not a moving violation for certain purposes; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to prohibitions against tobacco smoking in a motor vehicle.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation
Section 21–1130 and 27–116
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 358 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation Insurance – Cancellation and Nonrenewal – Notice

FOR the purpose of altering the time period within which an insurer, except under certain circumstances, must serve a certain notice on an employer and file a copy of the notice with a certain individual if the insurer is canceling or refusing to renew a workers' compensation insurance policy before its expiration; and generally relating to cancellation and nonrenewal of workers' compensation insurance policies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 359 – Delegates Jameson and Hixson**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Qualified Farms – Food Donation Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of allowing certain qualified farms a credit, up to a certain amount, against the State income tax equal to a certain percentage of the value of certain food donations; providing for the carry forward of the credit; providing for the calculation of the amount of the credit; requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to establish certain values on a weekly basis; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller, to establish a certain certification procedure for certain tax credit administrators; requiring a tax credit certificate administrator that receives a certain donation to issue a certain tax credit certificate; requiring that a tax credit certificate contain certain information; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller, to prepare certain tax credit certificate forms; requiring the Secretary to notify certain administrators to stop issuing certain certificates if a certain limit is reached; providing that the total amount of tax credit certificates issued may not exceed a certain amount for certain fiscal years; requiring that the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller and the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Hub and Spoke Program in the Southern Maryland Region submit a certain report by a certain date each year; reestablishing the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Hub and Spoke Program in the Southern Maryland Region; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force;

prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Secretary and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller, to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to a tax credit for certain food donations.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 360 – Delegates Vallario, Morales, Anderson, Atterbeary, Campos, Carter, Conaway, Dumais, Frush, Glass, Jalisi, Kramer, Moon, Rey, Reznik, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, Valentino–Smith, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Seizure and Forfeiture

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain minimum amount of money that is subject to forfeiture in connection with a controlled dangerous substance violation; repealing a certain presumption that certain money or weapons are forfeitable; altering a certain provision of law so as to provide that certain property may not be forfeited unless the State establishes by a preponderance of the evidence that a violation of a certain law was committed with the property owner’s actual knowledge, rather than that the property may not be forfeited if the owner establishes by a preponderance of the evidence that the violation of law was committed without the owner’s actual knowledge; prohibiting a certain seizing authority or prosecuting authority from directly or indirectly transferring seized property to a federal law enforcement authority or agency, with a certain exception; providing that if the owner of seized property is not charged with a violation of a certain law in connection with the seizure of the property within a certain amount of time, the property shall be immediately returned to the owner; repealing a certain rebuttable presumption that certain property is subject to forfeiture as proceeds; requiring a certain law enforcement agency to report, on an annual basis, certain information about each individual seizure and forfeiture completed by the agency under State or federal forfeiture law; authorizing the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center (MSAC) to require a law enforcement agency to provide relevant information not specified in this Act; requiring a certain law enforcement agency to file a certain report for the agency and the corresponding prosecutor’s office with MSAC; requiring MSAC to

develop a certain form, a process, and deadlines for certain data entry; requiring MSAC to compile certain submissions and issue a certain report; requiring MSAC to make certain reports available in a certain manner; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention (GOCCP) to submit a certain report to the Governor, the General Assembly, and each law enforcement agency before a certain date each year; authorizing GOCCP to include in a certain report certain recommendations; requiring GOCCP to report information on law enforcement agencies not in compliance with this Act to the Police Training Commission; requiring the Police Training Commission to contact a certain law enforcement agency and request certain compliance; requiring GOCCP and the Police Training Commission to report certain noncompliance to the Governor and the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly under certain circumstances; authorizing MSAC to recoup certain costs in a certain manner; authorizing a certain law enforcement agency to use forfeiture proceeds to pay the cost of compiling and reporting information required under this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to seizure and forfeiture.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 12–102, 12–103(a), 12–301, and 12–312

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 12–211; and 13–601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Reporting”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 361 – Delegates Vallario, Anderson, Atterbeary, D. Barnes, Barron, Cluster, Conaway, Flanagan, Folden, Jackson, Jalisi, Kittleman, Kramer, McComas, Oaks, Parrott, Waldstreicher, and B. Wilson

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Government–Funded Legal Representation – Initial Appearance

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution establishing that an indigent defendant is entitled to government–funded legal representation at the times and under the circumstances provided by statute and court rule, and that a certain constitutional provision may not be construed to require government–funded legal representation of an indigent defendant at an initial

appearance before a District Court commissioner; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Declaration of Rights
Article 21

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 362 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Adams, Anderson, Campos, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Haynes, Healey, S. Howard, Jalisi, Kelly, Kipke, Kramer, Lam, McComas, McConkey, McMillan, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Platt, S. Robinson, Smith, Stein, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vallario, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Costs of Care for Seized Animals

FOR the purpose of establishing that the owner or custodian of an animal seized or removed under certain provisions of law is liable for certain costs relating to the care of the animal during a certain period; requiring a person who seizes or removes an animal under certain provisions of law to post a certain notice in a certain manner; requiring a certain seizing authority to make a reasonable attempt to provide a certain notice under certain circumstances; repealing a certain provision of law regarding the circumstances under which an animal may be considered a stray; authorizing the owner or custodian of a certain animal to file a certain petition; providing that a certain petition be served on a seizing authority; providing that failure to file a certain petition shall be considered a forfeiture of a certain animal to the seizing authority; providing for a certain hearing to make a certain determination; requiring the District Court to issue a certain order unless a certain bond is posted; providing that failure to post a certain bond results in a certain forfeiture; authorizing the seizing authority to draw certain funds from a certain bond; requiring the unused portion of a certain bond to be returned to a certain person; providing for adjusting the amount of a certain bond; defining a certain term; and generally relating to animals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–615
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 363 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration) and Delegates Glenn, McIntosh, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Law Enforcement Officer – Misconduct In Office

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain law enforcement officer, while acting in the course of the officer's official duties, from committing a misdemeanor or felony that carries a certain maximum penalty; providing a penalty for a violation of this Act; providing that a sentence imposed under this Act shall be consecutive to and not concurrent with any other sentence imposed for any crime based on the act establishing the violation; defining a certain term; and generally relating to law enforcement officers.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 9–308

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 364 – Delegates Rosenberg, Platt, and Reznik

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – College Admissions Outreach Program for High–Achieving Students – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the College Admissions Outreach Program for High–Achieving Students; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission and the Maryland State Department of Education, in collaboration with certain educational officials, agencies, and organizations, to jointly administer the Program; requiring the Program to provide certain information on the college admissions process to certain students free of charge; requiring the Commission and the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the College Admissions Outreach Program for High–Achieving Students.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–301 and 18–303

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–303.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 365 – Delegates Anderson, Glenn, Haynes, McIntosh, Oaks, B. Robinson, and Sydnor

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Felony Prosecution of Law Enforcement Officer – Attorney General

FOR the purpose of requiring a State’s Attorney, on the filing of a statement of charges or an information against a certain law enforcement officer for a certain felony offense, to immediately forward the case, including charges relating to the felony, to the Office of the Attorney General for prosecution; establishing that when exercising a certain authority the Attorney General has certain powers and duties to prosecute a certain violation; requiring the joining of certain causes of action in certain circumstances; defining a term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to felonies and law enforcement officers.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 4–110

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

House Joint Resolution 2 – Delegates Hixson, Anderson, Atterbeary, Aumann, Barve, Bromwell, Carr, Chang, Cluster, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gaines, Gutierrez, Hammen, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, C. Howard, Jackson, Jalisi, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Patterson, Pendergrass, Platt, Proctor, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, Turner, Vallario, Waldstreicher, Walker, A. Washington, M. Washington, and K. Young

A House Joint Resolution concerning

United States Constitution – Amendments Convention – Democracy Amendment

FOR the purpose of applying to the U.S. Congress for an amendments convention called under Article V of the U.S. Constitution, on the application of the legislatures of two–thirds of the several states, to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution

that affirms every citizen's freedom to vote and restores free and fair elections in America; and generally relating to an application to Congress for a convention to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 47)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:17 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 6, 2015.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, February 6, 2015**

The House met at 11:06 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Carl Anderton, Jr. of Wicomico County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 48)

The Journal of February 5, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Campos – personal – late

Del. W. Miller – doctor’s appointment

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 366 – Delegate Conaway

AN ACT concerning

Tax Sales – Delinquent Water Bills – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition of “tax” to exclude liens against real property arising from any unpaid water, sewer, or other sanitary system charges, fees, or assessments; prohibiting Baltimore City from selling a property at tax sale for unpaid charges for water and sewer service; making a conforming change; and generally relating to tax sales of property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 14–801 and 14–849.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 367 – Delegates Rosenberg, Bromwell, Carr, Carter, Cullison, Hill, Kelly, Reznik, and Sample–Hughes

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System

FOR the purpose of altering the name of the Maryland Mental Health Crisis Response System to be the Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System; establishing the Crisis Response System in the Behavioral Health Administration; requiring certain services to be provided by the Crisis Response System; requiring the Crisis Response System to include an evaluation of outcomes of services through the annual collection of certain data; requiring the Administration to maintain a certain bed registry; requiring the Administration to implement the Crisis Response System in collaboration with the core service agency serving each jurisdiction; repealing a prohibition against the State spending more than a certain amount of State general funds in each fiscal year to implement the Crisis Response System; providing that community benefit includes certain support of the Crisis Response System; making certain conforming changes; defining a certain term; repealing a certain provision of law that makes the Crisis Response System contingent on the receipt of certain funding; and generally relating to a behavioral health crisis response system.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 10–1401 through 10–1405 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 14. Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 371 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–303(a)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Chapter 371 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002

Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 368 – Delegate Beidle (By Request – Anne Arundel County Administration) and Delegates Carey, Chang, S. Howard, McConkey, McMillan, Pena–Melnyk, Saab, Simonaire, Sophocleus, and Vitale

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Immunity From Liability – Emergency Medical Care for Drug Overdose

FOR the purpose of providing immunity from civil liability for a certain person administering medications or treatment in response to an apparent drug overdose if the person is trained and certified under certain protocols established by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; extending immunity under this Act to a corporation under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to civil liability for acts or omissions in giving emergency medical care.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 369 – Caroline County Delegation and Talbot County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Public Safety – Appointment of Members of Fire Companies as Deputy Sheriffs –
Caroline County and Talbot County**

FOR the purpose of altering the applicability in Caroline County of certain provisions governing the appointment and duties of members of fire companies as deputy sheriffs; providing for the appointment and duties of members of fire companies as deputy sheriffs in Talbot County; making conforming changes; and generally relating to fire company members acting as deputy sheriffs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 7–302(a), (d), (e), and (f)(4) and 7–303(a) through (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 370 – Delegates McCray, Anderson, Barkley, B. Barnes, Branch,
Brooks, Clippinger, Davis, Frick, Glenn, Jalisi, Lafferty, Lam, Moon,
Morales, Platt, Sydnor, Tarlau, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and Zucker**

AN ACT concerning

Prevailing Wage – Payment for Apprenticeship Programs

FOR the purpose of requiring contractors and subcontractors under public work contracts subject to the prevailing wage rate law to pay the full cost of certain apprenticeship programs except under certain circumstances; requiring certain contractors to keep a list of each apprentice and the apprenticeship program in which the apprentice takes part; requiring contractors and subcontractors subject to a certain investigation to allow the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to take certain action to determine whether the contractor or subcontractor has violated a certain provision of this Act; requiring, on certain notification, a public body to withhold from a certain payment an amount sufficient to pay the full cost of certain apprenticeship programs; requiring, under certain circumstances, a public body to reimburse an apprentice for any amount the apprentice paid to an apprenticeship program and pay the apprenticeship program any balance still owed to the apprenticeship program; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the payment for apprenticeship programs by contractors and subcontractors under the prevailing wage rate law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–205, 17–220, and 17–221
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 371 – Delegates Bromwell, Aumann, B. Barnes, Cluster, Hornberger, Impallaria, Kipke, Long, McDonough, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Reznik, Szeliga, Valderrama, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Gaming – Video Lottery Operation License – Baltimore–Washington
International Thurgood Marshall Airport**

FOR the purpose of altering the number of video lottery operation licenses and video lottery terminals that may be awarded by the Video Lottery Facility Location Commission to provide for the award of a video lottery operation license at Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport under certain circumstances; providing that a certain restriction on the number of video lottery operation licenses that may be awarded in a county or in Baltimore City is not applicable; requiring that certain proceeds be paid into the Transportation Trust Fund; providing that an application for a certain video lottery operation license be made by a certain date; providing for the reconstitution of the Video Lottery Facility Location Commission under certain circumstances; submitting this Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of the State; and generally relating to the operation of video lottery terminals at a certain location in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–05(a), 9–1A–27(a)(9), and 9–1A–36(f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (r)(1), and (t)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 372 – Delegate Walker

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Vacant and Abandoned Residential Property

FOR the purpose of requiring certain mortgage lenders to inspect certain residential properties for evidence of abandonment under certain circumstances; requiring certain mortgage lenders to maintain vacant and abandoned property in a certain manner; authorizing a mortgage lender to peaceably enter, or cause others to peaceably enter, a vacant and abandoned property for certain purposes; authorizing certain persons to seek certain injunctive or other equitable relief under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to establish and maintain a Vacant and Abandoned Property Registry for certain property; requiring certain mortgage lenders to register certain residential property and to pay certain fees under certain circumstances; authorizing a local jurisdiction to enact a certain local law; imposing certain limits on access to the Registry; establishing that certain fees are nonrefundable; establishing the Vacant and Abandoned Property Registry Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Department to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law; defining certain terms; and generally relating to vacant and abandoned residential property.

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 14–601 through 14–603 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Vacant and Abandoned Residential Property”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 373 – Delegates Tarlau, Angel, Carr, Dumais, Fennell, Glenn, Gutierrez, Jalisi, Kelly, Korman, Lam, Luedtke, McCray, Moon, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Candidates and Campaign Volunteers – Access to Private Residential Areas

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from preventing a candidate or any campaign volunteer accompanying a candidate from accessing certain private residential areas for certain purposes, except under certain circumstances; authorizing a person to impose certain limitations on the ability of a candidate or a campaign volunteer to access a private residential area; authorizing a local jurisdiction to enact a local law to impose a certain civil penalty for a violation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to visits by candidates and campaign volunteers to private residential areas.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law
Section 1–101(a), (k), and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Real Property
Section 14–133
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 374 – Delegates A. Miller, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Glenn, Haynes, Healey, Hornberger, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Lam, McMillan, Miele, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Pendergrass, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Tarlau, Turner, Valentino–Smith, Waldstreicher, M. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Marijuana Possession

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a certain petition for expungement if the person was convicted of a certain crime involving the use or possession of less than 10 grams of marijuana; excluding certain charges involving less than 10 grams of marijuana that arise from the same incident, transaction, or set of facts as another charge from a certain unit for the purposes of a certain petition for expungement; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105 and 10–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 375 – Delegate Cullison

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maryland Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers

FOR the purpose of repealing the Maryland School Board Health Center Policy Advising Committee and establishing the Maryland Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers; specifying the duties of the Council; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Council to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Council to report its findings and recommendations to certain State agencies and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Council to include certain recommendations in a certain report that is due on a certain date; repealing obsolete provisions of law; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Council; and generally relating to the Maryland Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers.

BY repealing
Article – Education
Section 7–4A–01 and 7–4A–05
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education

Section 7-4A-01 and 7-4A-05
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7-4A-02, 7-4A-03, and 7-4A-04
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 376 – Delegates Tarlau, Anderton, Carr, Fennell, Frush, Healey, Hettleman, Jalisi, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, S. Robinson, Shoemaker, Smith, A. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Electric Companies – Vegetation Management – Local Law, Rule, or Regulation

FOR the purpose of repealing a prohibition against a county or municipal corporation taking certain actions that interfere with, or materially increase costs of, compliance with certain vegetation management standards; and generally relating to vegetation management.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7-213(a), (c), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7-213(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 377 – Delegates Frick, B. Barnes, Anderson, Campos, Carr, Carter, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hixson, Holmes, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Lafferty, Lam, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Stein, Tarlau, Turner, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Revisions
(Maryland Clean Energy Advancement Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of altering the minimum required percentage of energy that must be derived from Tier 1 renewable sources in the State’s renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; altering the minimum required percentage of Tier 1 renewable energy that must be derived from solar energy in the State’s renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; establishing renewable energy portfolio standards for certain years; altering the percentage of total annual electricity sales revenues that are used solely for the purchase of Tier 1 renewable energy credits derived from solar energy an electricity supplier must incur to request a delay of certain solar energy requirements in the renewable energy portfolio standard; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to renewable energy portfolio standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–703(b)(13), (14), (15), (16), and (17) and 7–705(e)(1) and (4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–703(b)(18), (19), and (20)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 378 – Delegate K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Qualifying Biomass

FOR the purpose of limiting the eligibility of qualifying biomass as a Tier 1 renewable source for the purposes of the renewable energy portfolio standard to qualifying biomass used at a generation unit that started commercial operation on or after a certain date and that achieves a certain total system efficiency; providing that, before a certain date, certain qualifying biomass used at a certain generation unit that started commercial operation on or before a certain date and achieved a certain certification on or before a certain date is eligible as a Tier 1 renewable source; providing that qualifying biomass used at a certain generation unit that started commercial operation on or before a certain date or that achieves not more than a certain percentage of total system efficiency is eligible as a Tier 2 renewable source;

providing that, on or after a certain date, certain qualifying biomass used at a certain generation station that started commercial operation on or before a certain date and achieved a certain certification on or before a certain date is eligible as a Tier 2 renewable source; requiring the Governor, beginning in a certain fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter and under certain circumstances, to appropriate funds in the State budget from the Strategic Energy Investment Fund or other funding sources to the Maryland Energy Administration in a certain amount based on a certain calculation; requiring the Administration to issue a certain grant to a certain facility under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; altering certain terms; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the renewable portfolio standard for qualifying biomass.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–701 and 7–704(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 379 – Delegate Bromwell

AN ACT concerning

Minority Business Enterprise Participation – Liquidated Damages – Architectural or Engineering Services

FOR the purpose of excluding a contract for certain architectural or engineering services from the requirement to include a certain liquidated damages provision that applies in the event a contractor fails to comply in good faith with certain provisions relating to minority business enterprise participation; and generally relating to liquidated damages provisions in contracts containing minority business enterprise participation goals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 380 – Delegates Bromwell, Aumann, and Lafferty

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Military Service Credit – Exception

FOR the purpose of providing that certain retirees of the Judges' Retirement System may receive additional service credit for military service under certain circumstances; providing that in order to receive additional service credit for military service a retiree of the Judges' Retirement System shall have a certain amount of service credit earned through employment by a certain date, be unable to accumulate a certain amount of service credit for military service due to mandatory retirement at age 70, become a retiree due to mandatory retirement, and have a certain amount of service credit at the time of retirement; requiring an individual claiming additional service credit to complete and file a certain form with the State Retirement Agency on or before a certain date and purchase a certain amount of additional service credit after retirement; authorizing an individual to receive additional service credit for military service under this Act; altering certain eligibility requirements for certain retirees to receive additional service credit for military service under certain circumstances; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to additional service credit awarded for prior military service for retirees of the Judges' Retirement System.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 27–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 38–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 381 – Delegates Lafferty, S. Robinson, B. Barnes, Beidle, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hammen, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, Hixson, Holmes, Jones, Kaiser, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Platt, Proctor, Reznik, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Nutrient Management – Phosphorus Management Tool

FOR the purpose of incorporating by reference certain nutrient management plan requirements in the Maryland Nutrient Management Manual of the Department of Agriculture and any supplements to the Manual; establishing certain content and

criteria for a nutrient management plan developed for an agricultural operation; requiring a certain license holder or certain certified consultant to file a certain report with the Department under certain circumstances and in accordance with certain requirements; providing that a certain agricultural certification does not prevent the application or enforcement of certain provisions of law; and generally relating to nutrient management by agricultural operations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 8–801 and 8–1006

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 8–808 and 8–808.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 382 – Delegates Morales, Pena–Melnyk, Anderson, Atterbeary, Campos, Carter, Conaway, Dumais, McComas, Moon, Rey, Smith, Sydnor, Vallario, B. Wilson, Kittleman, B. Barnes, Folden, Frick, Gutierrez, Hill, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Krimm, Platt, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Sexual Assault Survivors' Right to Know Act

FOR the purpose of requiring a health care provider that performs a sexual assault evidence collection kit exam on a victim of sexual assault to provide the victim or the victim's representative with contact information for a certain law enforcement agency; requiring a law enforcement agency that receives a sexual assault evidence collection kit to provide certain information within a certain period of time after a request by the victim from whom the evidence was collected or the victim's representative; requiring a certain report to include certain information relating to unanalyzed sexual assault evidence samples; repealing certain obsolete language; and generally relating to sexual assault evidence.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 11–926

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 2–514
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 383 – Delegate Luedtke

AN ACT concerning

**Education – Sexual Abuse and Assault Awareness and Prevention Program –
Development and Implementation**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education and certain nonpublic schools to develop and implement a certain program relating to sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention; defining a certain term; and generally relating to sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention programs in public and nonpublic schools in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–437
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 384 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)
and Delegates Bromwell, Carter, Glenn, Haynes, McIntosh, Oaks, and
B. Robinson**

AN ACT concerning

**Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights – Conviction – Not Entitled to a
Hearing**

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a law enforcement officer is not entitled to a hearing under the Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights; and generally relating to the Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–107(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 385 – Delegates Clippinger, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Barkley, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Barron, Barve, Branch, Brooks, Carr, Carter, Chang, Conaway, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hammen, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Jackson, Jalisi, Jones, Kaiser, Kelly, Knotts, Korman, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McCray, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, Pendergrass, Platt, Proctor, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sophocleus, Stein, Sydnor, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, K. Young, P. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Maryland Healthy Working Families Act

FOR the purpose of requiring certain employers to provide employees with certain earned sick and safe leave; providing for the method of determining whether an employer is required to provide paid or unpaid earned sick and safe leave; providing for the manner in which earned sick and safe leave is accrued by the employee and treated by the employer; authorizing an employer, under certain circumstances, to deduct the amount paid for earned sick and safe leave from the wages paid to an employee on the termination of employment under a certain provision of law; requiring an employer to allow an employee to use earned sick and safe leave for certain purposes; requiring an employee, under certain circumstances, to request leave, notify the employer of certain information, and comply with certain procedures; authorizing an employer to establish, subject to certain limitations, certain procedures for an employee to follow when requesting and taking earned sick and safe leave; authorizing an employer, under certain circumstances, to require an employee to provide certain documentation subject to certain limitations; requiring an employer to notify the employees that the employees are entitled to certain earned sick and safe leave; specifying the information that must be included in the notice; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to create and make available a certain poster and notice; providing for the manner in which an employer may comply with a certain notice requirement; establishing certain civil penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this Act; requiring an employer to keep certain records for a certain time period; authorizing the Commissioner under certain circumstances to inspect certain records; establishing a rebuttable presumption that an employer has violated certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; providing that a certain rebuttable presumption may be overcome only by certain evidence; authorizing the Commissioner to take certain acts when the Commissioner determines certain provisions of this Act have been violated; authorizing an employee to bring a civil action in a certain court against an employer for a violation of certain provisions of this Act; requiring that a certain action be brought within a certain time period; authorizing a court to award certain damages and fees under

certain circumstances; establishing certain prohibited acts; providing for certain criminal penalties; providing that certain protections apply to certain employees; requiring the Commissioner to develop and implement a certain outreach program; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt regulations to carry out certain provisions of this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to conduct an investigation, under certain circumstances, to determine whether certain provisions of this Act have been violated; requiring the Commissioner, except under certain circumstances, to keep certain information confidential; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to earned sick and safe leave.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 2–106(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–103(k); and 3–1301 through 3–1312 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
13. Healthy Working Families Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 386 – Delegate Valentino–Smith

AN ACT concerning

Child Abuse and Neglect – Centralized Confidential Database

FOR the purpose of requiring a local department of social services to notify in writing an individual who has been found responsible for certain child abuse or neglect that the individual may be identified as a maltreater in the centralized confidential database of the Department of Human Resources and that certain information concerning the individual may be disclosed under certain circumstances; repealing provisions authorizing the Social Services Administration and each local department to maintain a central registry of child abuse and neglect cases and substituting provisions authorizing the Administration to maintain a centralized confidential database of child abuse and neglect cases; requiring each local department to enter and have access to certain information in the centralized confidential database; repealing certain provisions relating to information that is authorized to be included in the central registry and information that is prohibited from being included in the central registry; specifying that the information in the centralized confidential database shall only be accessible to certain individuals or entities; specifying the conditions under which an individual may be identified as a maltreater in the

centralized confidential database; repealing certain provisions relating to the removal of certain information from the central registry under certain circumstances; prohibiting the centralized confidential database from containing certain information that is required to be expunged; prohibiting certain information in the centralized confidential database from being provided in response to a request for background information for employment or voluntary service except under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual from being identified as a maltreater in the centralized confidential database solely because of certain factors; making certain conforming changes; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect and the centralized confidential database.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–701(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–701(d), 5–706.1, and 5–714
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Family Law
Section 5–701(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 5–701(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 387 – Delegate Glass

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Archery Hunting – Safety Zone

FOR the purpose of altering the size of the safety zone for archery hunters in Harford County within which archery hunting may not take place except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to archery hunting in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 388 – Delegates Dumais and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council

FOR the purpose of establishing the Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council in the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the duties of the Council; requiring the Council to report its interim and final findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before certain dates; and generally relating to the Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 1–601 through 1–605 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 389 – Delegates Healey, D. Barnes, Beidle, Beitzel, Carozza, Chang, Fennell, Frush, Gaines, Ghrist, Glass, Glenn, Haynes, Long, Miele, Otto, Parrott, Sophocleus, Walker, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Education – Beginning of School Year – After Labor Day

FOR the purpose of prohibiting public schools and publicly funded prekindergarten programs from opening for pupil attendance school before the day after Labor Day; and generally relating to the beginning of the school year after Labor Day.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–103

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 390 – Delegates Atterbeary, Angel, Barkley, Carter, Chang, Dumais, Ebersole, Gutierrez, Hayes, Hill, Jalisi, Kittleman, Lam, Lierman, McCray, Moon, Morales, Pena–Melnyk, Pendergrass, Platt, B. Robinson, Smith, Sydnor, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Protective Order and Peace Order Petitions – Maryland Residents

FOR the purpose of authorizing the filing of a protective order petition if the abuse is alleged to have occurred in the State or if the person eligible for relief is a resident of the State; authorizing the filing of a peace order petition if a certain act is alleged to have occurred in the State or if the petitioner is a resident of the State; and generally relating to protective orders and peace orders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–504(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–1503(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 391 – Delegates Rosenberg, Kittleman, McComas, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Public Defender – Eligibility for Services

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Office of the Public Defender or a certain panel attorney from continuing a certain representation after a certain bail hearing unless a certain eligibility is determined; requiring the Office of the Public Defender to investigate the financial status of an applicant under all circumstances; altering certain provisions of law so as to require, rather than authorize, the Office of the Public Defender to require an applicant to execute and deliver certain requests or authorizations, to obtain certain information, and to submit certain requests for

information to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, with a certain exception; and generally relating to eligibility for the services of the Office of the Public Defender.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 16–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 392 – Delegate K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Retirement Income

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of a subtraction modification allowed under the State income tax for certain retirement income of an individual of a certain age or who is totally disabled or whose spouse is totally disabled; altering the maximum amount of a certain subtraction modification allowed for certain taxable years; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 393 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Folden, McComas, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Use or Possession of Marijuana in a Motor Vehicle – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the use, consumption, or possession of marijuana in a motor vehicle; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to the use, consumption, or possession of marijuana in a motor vehicle.

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601.2

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 394 – Delegates K. Young and Krimm

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Weinberg Center HVAC Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Frederick for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 395 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Folden, McComas, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Death or Life–Threatening Injury by Motor Vehicle or Vessel – Subsequent Offenders – Penalties

FOR the purpose of establishing subsequent offender penalties for certain offenses that result in the death or life–threatening injury to another as the result of a certain person driving, operating, or controlling a vehicle or vessel; providing that certain offenses committed in another state or federal jurisdiction are to be considered for the application of certain subsequent offender penalties; and generally relating to death or life–threatening injuries by motor vehicles or vessels.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–209, 2–210, 2–503 through 2–506, and 3–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 396 – Delegate Turner

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Primary Election Dates in the Presidential Election Year

FOR the purpose of altering the date of the statewide primary election in the year in which the President of the United States is elected; altering the date of the primary election for municipal offices in Baltimore City in the year in which the President of the United States is elected; making certain conforming changes; clarifying certain provisions of law concerning the filling of certain vacancies in nomination; repealing an obsolete provision of law concerning the printing of certain ballots; and generally relating to primary election dates in the presidential election year and the nomination of candidates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 5–303(c), 5–703(c), 5–703.1(c), 5–801(b), 5–1002(b), 5–1003(b), 5–1004(b), 6–210(e), 8–201, 8–502(c), 9–207(a), 9–215(a), and 13–309(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 397 – Delegates Carter, Atterbeary, Dumais, McComas, Moon, Morales, Pena–Melnyk, and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Bail Data Analysis

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center, in consultation with the Administrative Office of the Courts, to develop a procedure and methodology for the compilation and analysis of certain data and the preparation of a certain report and recommendations; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to compile and analyze certain data and to submit a certain report on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to bail data analysis.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 398 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Conaway, Moon, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Noneconomic Damages – Catastrophic Injury

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of noneconomic damages that may be recovered in health care malpractice and other civil actions for a catastrophic injury

under certain circumstances; providing for certain procedures; defining certain terms; and generally relating to altering the maximum amount of noneconomic damages that may be recovered in health care malpractice and other civil actions for a catastrophic injury under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–09(a) and (b) and 11–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 399 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class DBR License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class DBR license in Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue a Class DBR license to a holder of a Class 5 manufacturer’s (brewery) license; providing that a Class DBR license serves as a certain permit and license specified under a certain provision of law; specifying that a holder of a Class DBR license is not required to sell food; authorizing the holder of a Class DBR license to sell a certain amount of beer for on–premises consumption; prohibiting a holder of a Class DBR license from selling beer for off–premises consumption other than a certain amount; specifying that the value of certain equipment may be used toward meeting a certain requirement; providing for the hours of sale and an annual license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Harford County.

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 3–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 400 – Delegate O’Donnell

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Use of Public Resources – Reimbursement by Elected Officials

FOR the purpose of requiring a State elected official, within a certain time period after a public resource is used in connection with a certain campaign event, to submit to the State Board of Elections certain documentation and reimburse the State for the cost of the public resource used; providing that a State elected official is subject to a certain fine under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board to refer a violation of a certain provision of this Act to the Office of the State Prosecutor; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the reimbursement of certain costs by State elected officials for the use of public resources.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 1–102 to be under the amended title “Title 1. Definitions; General Provisions”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 401 – Delegates C. Howard, Davis, Fennell, Haynes, Hill, Proctor, B. Robinson, Smith, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, and Walker

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Film Production Activity Tax Credit – Minority Business Reporting Requirement

FOR the purpose of altering a reporting requirement under a certain income tax credit to require the Department of Business and Economic Development to provide a list of companies in the State that qualified as certain minority business enterprises and directly provided goods or services for film production activity during a certain period; and generally relating to a certain reporting requirement under the film production activity tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–730(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 402 – Delegates Rosenberg and Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Establishment of Health Courts

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Establishment of Health Courts; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Establishment of Health Courts.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 403 – Delegates Luedtke, Barkley, Carr, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Glenn, Impallaria, Kramer, S. Robinson, Smith, Stein, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Sales of Dogs and Cats – Required Health Certificate

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain person who sells a dog or cat to provide the purchaser with a health certificate issued by a certain veterinarian within a certain period of time; requiring a certain person who sells a dog or cat to disclose certain health information about the dog or cat to a purchaser at a certain time; providing that certain false or misleading statements in a certain health certificate for a dog or cat for sale is an unfair or deceptive trade practice; providing for certain penalties for certain violations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a required health certificate for the sale of dogs and cats.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 19–901 through 19–903 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Health Certification of Dogs and Cats for Sale”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 404 – Delegates B. Barnes, Brooks, Carr, Chang, Clippinger, Fennell, Frick, Glenn, Kelly, Lierman, Luedtke, Moon, Morales, Platt, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Public Work Contracts – Contractor Occupational Safety and Health Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring a prospective bidder or offeror when submitting a bid or offer for a public work contract to submit to the public body a certain contractor safety and health plan and a certain attestation; requiring that a contract safety and health plan include certain information; requiring a prospective bidder or offeror to provide a copy of the contractor safety and health plan to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry on request; requiring the Commissioner to develop a certain safety and health calculation worksheet and specified safety and health rating system; requiring each contractor and subcontractor working under a public work contractor to complete a certain safety and health calculation worksheet within a certain number of days after entering into the public work contract and implement certain additional safety and health measures; requiring the Commissioner to adopt regulations to carry out this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to require by regulation that a prospective bidder or offeror, a contractor, or a subcontractor subject to this Act maintain certain records; requiring the Commissioner to investigate as necessary to determine whether certain persons are complying with this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to enter a place of business or a work site for certain purposes; requiring the Commissioner to issue a certain citation and proposed order to a prospective bidder or offeror, a contractor, or a subcontractor under certain circumstances; requiring the citation and proposed order to be sent by certified mail and contain certain information; authorizing a certain prospective bidder, contractor, or subcontractor to request a certain hearing within a certain number of days after receiving the citation and proposed order; requiring the Commissioner to schedule a hearing on receipt of a request for a hearing; providing that a certain proposed order becomes a final order under certain circumstances; providing that a certain decision of the Commissioner is final except under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to assess certain civil penalties under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to consider certain factors in determining the amount of a penalty to be assessed; authorizing the Commissioner, under certain circumstances, to recommend to a public body that a prospective bidder or offeror, contractor, or subcontractor be debarred from entering into a certain public work contract for a certain period of time; prohibiting a prospective bidder or offeror, contractor, or subcontractor from taking certain action against an employee for certain reasons; authorizing a certain employee to submit to the Commissioner a certain written complaint; requiring that an employee submit a certain complaint within a certain time period; requiring the Commissioner to investigate a certain complaint; requiring the Commissioner, under certain circumstances, to refer a certain matter to the Officer of Administrative Hearings for findings of fact and a proposed decision under certain provisions of law; providing for the application of a certain provision of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to contractor occupational safety and health requirements on public work contracts.

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 17–801 through 17–807 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Contractor Occupational Safety and Health Requirements”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 405 – The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Attorney General) and Delegates Smith, Vallario, Rosenberg, Afzali, Anderson, Atterbeary, Barron, Beidle, Branch, Campos, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Glenn, Hettleman, Hill, C. Howard, Jalisi, Kittleman, Kramer, Lafferty, Lierman, Lisanti, McCray, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, B. Robinson, Sydnor, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, Vogt, Waldstreicher, M. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Maryland False Claims Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain actions constituting false claims against a governmental entity; providing certain penalties for making false claims; requiring the court to consider and give special attention to certain factors in determining the amount of fines and penalties provided for in certain provisions of this Act; providing that this Act does not apply to certain claims, records, or statements; authorizing a person and a governmental entity to file a civil action against a person who makes a certain false claim under certain circumstances; providing for the procedures to be followed in the civil action and for certain remedies under the action; requiring the governmental entity to investigate a certain civil action; requiring the governmental entity to make certain efforts to coordinate certain investigations and to establish a certain objective for the governmental entity; authorizing the governmental entity to intervene and proceed with a certain civil action with or without the person who initiated the action; requiring the court to dismiss the action if the governmental entity elects not to intervene in the action; authorizing the governmental entity to pursue certain alternative remedies; providing certain limitations on civil actions filed under this Act; prohibiting a person from taking retaliatory action against an employee, a contractor, or an agent under certain circumstances; authorizing an employee, a contractor, or an agent to file a civil action against a person who takes retaliatory action against the employee, contractor, or agent under certain circumstances; providing certain remedies for retaliatory action; establishing that certain remedies provided under this Act are in addition to certain other appropriate legal and equitable relief; requiring the Comptroller to deposit a certain penalty or damages into the General Fund of the State; requiring the Office of the Attorney General and the attorney for each county and Baltimore City to report certain information annually to the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to false claims against governmental entities.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 8–101 through 8–111 to be under the new title “Title 8. False Claims”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 49)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:24 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 9, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, February 9, 2015

The House met at 8:01 P.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Keith E. Haynes of Baltimore City.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 135 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 50)

The Journal of February 6, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Beidle – personal – flight delay

Del. Jameson – illness

Del. McDonough – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 406 – Delegates Long, Afzali, Aumann, Cluster, Folden, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kittleman, Krebs, McComas, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, O'Donnell, Parrott, Reilly, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, Vitale, and Vogt

AN ACT concerning

Education – Implementation of the Common Core State Standards – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Board of Education and certain county boards of education from establishing certain educational policies, curriculum, and guidelines that include or are based on the Common Core State Standards; prohibiting the State Board from entering into certain agreements or joining certain organizations that give control over educational matters to any entity other than the State; requiring the State Board to take certain steps to rescind the State Board's adoption of the Common Core State Standards and the State's membership in a certain organization by a certain date; requiring the State Board to notify the United States Department of Education of its intent to rescind its adoption of the Common Core State Standards by a certain date; and generally relating to prohibiting the implementation of the Common Core State Standards.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 2–205.1 and 4–111.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 7–203(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 407 – Delegates Aumann, Impallaria, McDonough, Szeliga, and West

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Public High Schools – Adoption of School Schedule

FOR the purpose of authorizing a public high school in Baltimore County to adopt a school schedule for that school; authorizing certain parties to initiate a change to a certain school schedule; requiring the principal of a certain school to convene a school schedule committee for a certain purpose under certain circumstances; providing for the composition and election and appointment of certain members of a school schedule committee; providing for the duties of a school schedule committee; requiring the adoption of a certain school schedule by a certain vote; requiring certain schools to send a copy of a certain school schedule to the Baltimore County Superintendent of Schools and the Baltimore County Board of Education within a certain period of time; requiring a certain schedule to be effective for a certain period of time; and generally relating to the adoption of school schedules by public high schools in Baltimore County.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 7–103.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 408 – Delegates Parrott, Glass, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Metzgar, Shoemaker, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transportation Authority – E-ZPass Account Maintenance Charge – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Maryland Transportation Authority from imposing an E-ZPass account maintenance charge; defining a certain term; and generally relating to restricting charges that the Authority may impose on E-ZPass account holders.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 4-312(c)(5)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 409 – Delegates Parrott, Metzgar, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Primary Elections and Early Voting – Dates

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a primary election from being held on certain holidays; requiring a primary election that would otherwise be held on the date of a certain holiday to instead be held on a certain date after the holiday; prohibiting an early voting center from being open for voting on certain holidays; and generally relating to the dates of primary elections and early voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 8-201 and 10-301.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 410 – Delegates Parrott, Buckel, Hornberger, Kipke, Kittleman, Metzgar, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

Traffic Control Signal Monitoring Systems – Application to Right Turns

FOR the purpose of establishing that certain provisions of law authorizing the issuance of a civil citation for certain red signal-related traffic offenses do not apply to a violation in which a motor vehicle makes a right turn under certain circumstances;

and generally relating to the application of provisions of law governing traffic control signal monitoring systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–202(h) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–202.1(c) and (d)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 411 – Delegate Glass

AN ACT concerning

Deer Bow Hunting Season – Private Property – Additional Sunday in January

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to hunt deer on private property with a bow and arrow or crossbow during open season on a certain Sunday, subject to certain provisions of law; and generally relating to Sunday hunting.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 412 – Delegates Glass and Metzgar

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Deer Bow Hunting Season – End Date

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to include a certain day in the deer bow hunting season in certain years; and generally relating to the deer bow hunting season.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–405(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 413 – Delegates Glass, Long, McComas, McKay, Metzgar, and Parrott

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Veterinary Services for Adopted Police Dogs

FOR the purpose of allowing certain individuals a credit against the State income tax for the cost of certain veterinary services for adopted police dogs; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount; providing that the credit may not be carried forward to another taxable year; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for certain veterinary costs.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 414 – Delegates Glass and Metzgar

AN ACT concerning

Sunday Hunting – Deer Bow Hunting Season

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer on private property on certain Sundays during the deer bow hunting season, subject to certain provisions of law; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the regulation of deer hunting by the Department of Natural Resources.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–410(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 415 – Delegates O’Donnell and Kelly

AN ACT concerning

**Cedar Hope Chests – Prohibition on Manufacture, Import, and Sale
(McKenna’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from manufacturing, importing, selling, or offering for sale a cedar hope chest; providing for certain penalties; exempting from certain penalties the sale or distribution of a cedar hope chest that is resold, offered for resale, or distributed by a consumer for consumer use; authorizing a court to enjoin certain actions; defining a certain term; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to develop and implement a certain public awareness program and to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the manufacture, import, and sale of cedar hope chests.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 24–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 416 – Delegates Glass and Metzgar

AN ACT concerning

**Consumer Protection – Required Disclosure of Social Security Number –
Prohibition**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from requiring a consumer to disclose the consumer’s Social Security number to the person as a condition for the purchase or lease of consumer goods or consumer services; providing that this Act does not prohibit a person from requesting or requiring a consumer to disclose the consumer’s Social Security number to apply for or obtain an extension of consumer credit; making a violation of this Act an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to Social Security numbers and consumer protection.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–3403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 417 – Delegates Glass, McComas, Metzgar, and Parrott

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Police Profiling – “Right-to-Carry” Permit

FOR the purpose of establishing that it is not a legitimate law enforcement purpose to use certain captured plate data that indicates the owner of the vehicle has been issued a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun as the sole basis to stop and question the vehicle’s driver; and generally relating to law enforcement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–509

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 418 – Delegates Glass, Fisher, Hornberger, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Long, McComas, McConkey, McKay, Metzgar, Parrott, Rey, Simonaire, Szeliga, and Vogt

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Cat and Dog Adoption

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual who adopts a cat or dog from certain animal shelters or rescue facilities a credit against the State income tax; providing that an individual may not claim the credit for more than 1 taxable year with respect to the same cat or dog; providing that an individual may not claim a credit greater than a certain amount for any taxable year; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a credit against the State income tax for adopting a cat or dog.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 419 – Delegates Jacobs, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Ghrist, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Mautz, and Otto

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture Leases – Consideration of User Conflicts

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to consider certain potential user conflicts in determining the location of submerged land aquaculture leases in the Chesapeake Bay and water column aquaculture leases in the waters of the State; requiring the Department to mitigate and minimize the effects of the proposed location of certain aquaculture leasing areas on other users if the Department determines that conflicts exist; making a certain stylistic change; making a certain technical correction; and generally relating to the consideration of user conflicts in determining the location of aquaculture leases.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–05(a) and 4–11A–07(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–05(b)(3), 4–11A–06, 4–11A–07(e), and 4–11A–08
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 420 – Delegates M. Washington, Cullison, Fennell, Glenn, Lafferty, Lierman, McCray, Morales, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Commission on Rental Housing Stabilization

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Rental Housing Stabilization; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to investigate certain strategies for stabilizing rental housing conditions in the State, evaluate the experiences of certain tenants in Maryland, evaluate the experiences of other states

and jurisdictions in taking action to stabilize rental housing conditions, and make specific recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission on Rental Housing Stabilization.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 421 – Delegates Frick, Rosenberg, Stein, Barron, Barve, Bromwell, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Ebersole, Gilchrist, Haynes, Healey, Hixson, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McCray, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Pendergrass, Platt, Reznik, Smith, Tarlau, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program and Trust

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program for eligible private sector employees; establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Trust; establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Board to implement, maintain, and administer the Program and the Trust; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Board; providing for the powers and duties of the Board, including investing certain assets, adopting an investment policy, disseminating information to employers and employees, and submitting an annual audited financial report; authorizing the Board to establish a certain trust fund to accept certain employer contributions; requiring eligible employers to offer the Program and requiring eligible employees to participate in the Program unless written notice to opt out is provided to the employer; authorizing elective employers to offer the Program to eligible employees; providing for the method of payment of certain expenses incurred by the Board as a result of administering the Program; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; authorizing the Comptroller to enforce employer compliance with certain Program requirements; imposing certain penalties for noncompliance with certain Program requirements; prohibiting certain employers and the State from incurring certain liabilities regarding the Program and the Trust; requiring certain conditions to be met before any plan, trust, administrative arrangement, or investment offering may be implemented; providing for the expiration of terms of certain initial Board members; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program and Trust.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 12–101 through 12–601 to be under the new title “Title 12. Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program and Trust”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 422 – Delegates K. Young, Cullison, Hill, Reznik, and Sample–Hughes

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Athletic Trainers and Physician Assistants – Reports to the Board of Physicians

FOR the purpose of requiring certain hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, and employers to report certain employment actions and terminations of employment of athletic trainers and physician assistants to the State Board of Physicians, subject to certain exceptions; requiring certain athletic trainers and physician assistants to notify certain hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, or employers of a decision to enter a certain treatment program; providing certain procedures for reporting treatment of an athletic trainer or a physician assistant to the Board if the athletic trainer or physician assistant fails to provide certain notice; requiring a certain treatment program to report noncompliance with the treatment program's policies to hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, and employers under certain circumstances; requiring certain hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, and employers to report certain noncompliance of an athletic trainer or a physician assistant to the Board under certain circumstances within a certain time period; exempting a person from making certain reports that would be in violation of any federal or State law, rule, or regulation concerning the confidentiality of certain patient records; providing that certain reports are not subject to subpoena or discovery in any civil action subject to certain exceptions; authorizing the Board to impose a certain penalty under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to remit certain penalties into the General Fund of the State; and generally relating to reports of alcohol and drug treatment for athletic trainers and physician assistants to the State Board of Physicians.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5D–14.1 and 15–314.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 423 – Delegates K. Young, Jalisi, Krebs, Lam, Luedtke, Platt, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Driving Under the Influence – Ignition Interlock System Program

FOR the purpose of requiring a person who is convicted of driving while under the influence of alcohol to successfully complete the Ignition Interlock System Program; making conforming changes; and generally relating to driving while under the influence of alcohol and the Ignition Interlock System Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(a)(1), (4), and (5) and 21–902(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(d)(1) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 424 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Event – Education Permits
Ho. Co. 05–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Howard County Board of License Commissioners to issue a special event – education beer and wine tasting alcoholic beverages permit and a special event – education beer, wine, and liquor tasting alcoholic beverages permit; specifying that a special event – education alcoholic beverages permit authorized under this Act may be issued to a holder of a certain alcoholic beverages license; specifying that a holder of a special event – education alcoholic beverages permit authorized under this Act may provide from the holder’s inventory certain alcoholic beverages to a consumer who has preregistered for a certain event, subject to certain limitations; specifying a permit fee; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Howard County.

BY renumbering
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–408.2 and 8–408.3, respectively
to be Section 8–408.3 and 8–408.4, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–408.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 425 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Howard County – Casino Events – Authorized

Ho. Co. 7–15

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations to hold certain casino events in Howard County at certain intervals of time; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits before operating a casino event; requiring the Howard County Executive to forward a recommendation to the Howard County Council concerning the fee to be charged for a permit; requiring the County Council to adopt by resolution the amount of the permit fee; specifying the types of organizations eligible to conduct a casino event; requiring a permit holder for a casino event to ensure that certain standards are met; prohibiting a permit holder from offering cumulative prizes in excess of a certain amount; specifying certain prohibited acts and reporting requirements for a permit holder for a casino event; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations governing casino events; altering in Howard County the application of certain general provisions of law governing gaming in the State; establishing certain exceptions to prohibitions against conducting a casino event or operating or awarding prizes using certain gaming devices; defining a certain term; and generally relating to casino events in Howard County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1601, 13–1603, and 13–1604

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1602.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 426 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Historic Clover Hill Farm House Restoration**Ho. Co. 10–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 427 – Delegates Flanagan, Bromwell, Carozza, Cluster, S. Howard, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, McComas, Metzgar, W. Miller, Shoemaker, Szeliga, West, and B. Wilson

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Voters' Legislative Districting Panel – Establishment

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish the Voters' Legislative Districting Panel; providing for the membership of the Panel; requiring the State Ethics Commission to conduct a certain lottery to choose the members of the Panel; specifying the conditions under which the lottery must be conducted; specifying the qualifications an individual must meet to be entered into the lottery; providing that a nonaffiliated voter is not required to meet a certain qualification; specifying that a member of the panel is subject to certain public ethics laws and entitled to certain reimbursement; providing for the term of a member; requiring the Panel to adopt rules and procedures to govern its activities; requiring the Governor to provide funds in the State budget for staff for the Panel; requiring the Attorney General to provide legal assistance to the Panel and recommend rules and procedures for adoption by the Panel; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to assist the Panel; requiring the Panel to prepare a certain legislative districting plan following a certain census; requiring, after public hearing, the Panel to submit the plan to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House; requiring the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to introduce the plan as a joint resolution to the General Assembly within a certain time period;

authorizing the Governor to call a special session for the presentation of the plan; requiring that the plan becomes law on a certain day except under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain circumstances, the Court of Appeals has original jurisdiction to review a certain legislative districting plan; requiring the Court of Appeals to grant appropriate relief under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution

Article III – Legislative Department

Section 5

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 428 – Delegates Flanagan, Bromwell, Carozza, Carr, Cluster, S. Howard, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, McComas, Metzgar, W. Miller, Otto, Shoemaker, Szeliga, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Voters' Congressional Districting Panel – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Voters' Congressional Districting Panel; providing for the membership of the Panel; requiring the State Ethics Commission to conduct a certain lottery to choose the members of the Panel; specifying the conditions under which the lottery must be conducted; specifying the qualifications an individual must meet to be entered into the lottery; providing that a nonaffiliated voter is not required to meet a certain qualification; specifying that a member of the panel is subject to certain public ethics laws and entitled to certain reimbursement; providing for the term of a member; requiring the Panel to adopt rules and procedures to govern its activities; requiring the Governor to provide funds in the State budget for staff for the Panel; requiring the Attorney General to provide legal assistance to the Panel and recommend rules and procedures for adoption by the Panel; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to assist the Panel; requiring the Panel to prepare a certain congressional districting plan following a certain census; requiring, after public hearing, the Panel to submit the plan to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House; requiring the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to introduce the plan as a joint resolution to the General Assembly within a certain time period; authorizing the Governor to call a special session for the presentation of the plan; requiring that the plan becomes law on a certain day except under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain circumstances, the Court of Appeals has original jurisdiction to review a certain congressional districting plan; requiring the Court of Appeals to grant appropriate relief under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Voters' Congressional Districting Panel.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 8–6A–01 through 8–6A–03 to be under the new Subtitle “Subtitle 6A. Voters’
Congressional Districting Panel”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 429 – Delegates Lierman and Barron

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Civil Action by a Merchant – Award of Costs and Fees

FOR the purpose of providing that the prevailing party in a certain civil action by a merchant is entitled to an award of court costs and attorney’s fees unless otherwise ordered by the court; and generally relating to civil actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–1305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 430 – Delegates Folden and Afzali

AN ACT concerning

Drunk Driving – Accidents Resulting in Death – Sanctions for Administrative Per Se Offenses

FOR the purpose of altering the administrative sanctions for certain alcohol–related administrative per se offenses applicable to a person who was involved in a motor vehicle accident that resulted in the death of another person; expanding the list of issues that may be considered during a certain hearing to include whether a certain person was involved in a motor vehicle accident that resulted in the death of another person; altering the circumstances under which the Motor Vehicle Administration is required to take certain actions and the actions the Administration may take against a person’s driver’s license for certain administrative per se offenses; authorizing the Administration, under certain circumstances, to issue a certain restrictive license to allow for participation in the Ignition Interlock System Program by a person whose license is suspended or revoked under this Act; making conforming changes; and generally relating to motor vehicle accidents resulting in death and administrative sanctions for alcohol–related administrative per se offenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–205.1(b)(1)(i) and (ii), (f)(4), (7), and (8)(i) and (v), and (j) and
16–404.1(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 431 – Delegates Parrott, Krebs, Metzgar, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

Health – Reporting of Death and Burial or Disposal of Body – Requirements and Penalties

FOR the purpose of requiring certain individuals who have personal knowledge of the death of another individual or who have personally discovered a body to provide certain notice of the death within a certain time period to a certain law enforcement officer; prohibiting an individual from burying or disposing of a body except in a certain manner; establishing certain penalties; and generally relating to reporting a death and burying or disposing of a body.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 5–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 5–514
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 432 – Delegates Impallaria, Adams, Aumann, Beitzel, Buckel, Cluster, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McDonough, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Otto, Parrott, Rey, Shoemaker, Szeliga, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permit – Applicant Qualifications

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that the Secretary of State Police find that a person has a good and substantial reason to carry, wear, or transport a handgun before issuing a handgun permit to the person; and generally relating to the issuing of permits to carry, wear, or transport a handgun.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 433 – Delegates Impallaria, Glass, S. Howard, Krebs, Long, McDonough, Metzgar, W. Miller, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

Marijuana Laws – Full Disclosure of Legal, Employment, and Health Risks

FOR the purpose of requiring the Office of the Attorney General, at a certain time, to establish a certain system to notify the public of certain risks related to any law that reduces the penalties for or legalizes the use of marijuana; and generally relating to marijuana laws.

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 6–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 434 – Delegates Impallaria, Glass, S. Howard, Krebs, McDonough, Metzgar, W. Miller, Shoemaker, and B. Wilson

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Aggravated Murder Court

FOR the purpose of authorizing the General Assembly to create an Aggravated Murder Court that shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction over all presentments or indictments for offenses previously punishable by death; vesting the judicial power of the State in the Aggravated Murder Court as the General Assembly may create

by law; providing that the judges of the Aggravated Murder Court that may be created may not be elected in a certain manner; requiring certain presentments or indictments to be transmitted to the Aggravated Murder Court that may be created; requiring the Attorney General to prosecute certain presentments or indictments pending in the Aggravated Murder Court that may be created; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 1, 3, and 8(b)

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 27 to be under the new part “Part IV – Aggravated Murder Court”

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article V – Attorney–General and State’s Attorneys
Section 3(a)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 435 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Award of Grant – Study of Past Practices at State Psychiatric Institutions

FOR the purpose of requiring, on or before a certain date, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to award a grant to a nonprofit organization to conduct a certain study of the past practices regarding the treatment of patients at State psychiatric institutions; requiring, on or before a certain date, the nonprofit organization awarded the grant to submit the results of the study to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and certain committees of the General Assembly; and generally relating to a grant for the study of past practices at State psychiatric institutions.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 436 – Delegates Long, Aumann, Beitzel, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Folden, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kittleman, Krebs, McConkey, Metzgar, W. Miller, Reilly, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Education – Privacy of Education Records and Personal Information of Students

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Department of Education, the State Board of Education, a county board of education, a local school system, a primary school, or a secondary school to collect or disclose the education records, or personally identifiable information contained in the education records, of a student only as necessary or required for certain purposes; prohibiting a person from requiring a certain student, without prior written consent, to submit to a survey, an analysis, or an evaluation that reveals certain information; requiring the Department to develop security measures and procedures to protect personally identifiable information contained in education records from release to any unauthorized person or for any unauthorized purpose; requiring the Department to comply with all federal and State privacy protection laws when collecting, maintaining, or disclosing education records; establishing that this Act does not prohibit the disclosure of aggregate data from education records in certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the privacy of education records and personal information of students.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–1701 through 7–1706 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Privacy of Student Information”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 437 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Maryland Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Grant Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Grant Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department to administer the Program to provide grants and contracts on a competitive basis to fund certain programs; requiring the Department, in evaluating whether a certain program is modeled on a program that has been proven effective, to deem effective certain programs; providing for the funding of the Program; and generally relating to the Maryland Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Grant Program.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–1601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16. Maryland Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Grant Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 438 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – State Prosecutor – Use of Force by Law Enforcement Officer

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Prosecutor to investigate the death or serious bodily injury of a person caused by the use of force by a State or local law enforcement officer; and generally relating to the State Prosecutor.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 14–107(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 439 – Delegates M. Washington, C. Wilson, D. Barnes, Barron, Buckel, Carter, Cullison, Glenn, Hettleman, Hill, McComas, McIntosh, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Proctor, B. Robinson, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Information and Services for Foster Children and Former Foster Children

FOR the purpose of requiring a juvenile court, in certain permanency planning and guardianship review hearings, to make a finding as to whether a local department of social services has made reasonable efforts to take certain actions for a child who is at least a certain age; requiring a local department to advise a child before emancipation of the right to reenter care and procedures for reentering care under certain provisions of law; requiring a local department to contact a certain former child in need of assistance under certain circumstances and advise the child of the right to reenter care and procedures for reentering care under certain provisions of law; requiring a local department to document certain efforts; requiring the Social Services Administration to adopt certain regulations to require that all children in foster care who are at least 18 years of age have certain documents, information, and records at emancipation; altering the information that the Administration is required to give certain children in out-of-home placement annually; requiring the Department of Human Resources to report to the General Assembly on or before a

certain date on certain plans of each local department of social services to provide and promote affordable housing and employment opportunities for former foster youth; requiring the plans to include certain information; and generally relating to information and services for foster youth and former foster youth.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–816.1(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–525(b)(3), (j), and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 440 – Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Howard County – Insurance – Certificates of Guarantee for County Bond Requirements Ho. Co. 8–15

FOR the purpose of authorizing Howard County to honor certificates of guarantee that are issued by certain associations or their wholly owned subsidiaries on behalf of certain contractors for the purpose of satisfying certain county bond requirements; providing that Howard County is not required under certain provisions of law to honor certain certificates of guarantee; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to Howard County and certificates of guarantee.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 1–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 441 – Delegates B. Robinson, Conaway, and Hayes

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – New City of Hope Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Positive Youth Expressions, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 442 – Delegate Holmes

AN ACT concerning

Mechanics' Liens – Design Services

FOR the purpose of establishing that, if the owner of certain land or the owner's agent contracts for the provision of certain services, the land and any improvements are subject to the establishment of a mechanics' lien for the payment of all debts, without regard to the amount, contracted for work done and materials furnished for or about a building, whether or not a building on the land is erected, repaired, rebuilt, or improved; repealing a requirement that a building be erected or repaired, rebuilt, or improved to the extent of a certain percentage of its value in order to be subject to the establishment of a mechanics' lien for the provision of certain services; and generally relating to mechanics' liens.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 9–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 443 – Delegates Kramer, Barkley, Dumais, Fraser-Hidalgo, Kaiser, McComas, Morales, Platt, and Valderrama

AN ACT concerning

Crimes Relating to Animals – Unauthorized Use of Dogs and Cats in Research Facilities – Penalties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain research facilities from knowingly using certain dogs and cats for scientific research purposes; requiring certain research facilities to reduce the use of dogs and cats in a certain manner under certain circumstances; authorizing certain euthanasia for certain dogs and cats used for scientific research

purposes; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; requiring the Attorney General to investigate certain violations; authorizing the Attorney General to prosecute certain violations; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to dogs and cats used in research facilities.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 10–626

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 444 – Delegates B. Robinson, Anderson, Aumann, Carter, Chang, Frush, Glenn, Gutierrez, Haynes, Impallaria, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Sample–Hughes, Tarlau, Vallario, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Homeless Expenditures Accountability Act

FOR the purpose of requiring each State, local, and nonprofit agency that receives federal, State, or local funding to remedy and prevent homelessness to report certain information annually to the Interagency Council on Homelessness; requiring each county to report certain information annually to the Council; requiring the first reports to be filed on or before a certain date for a certain fiscal year; and generally relating to reporting to the Interagency Council on Homelessness.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Human Services

Section 6–418 and 6–423

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Human Services

Section 6–423.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 445 – Delegates B. Robinson, Chang, and Miele

AN ACT concerning

Opportunity Bracket for Small Business

FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for a certain percentage of business income received by certain small business owners; providing that the subtraction may not exceed a certain amount; authorizing the owners of a small business to allocate the subtraction modification in a certain manner; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for certain income from certain small businesses.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–105.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 446 – Delegates B. Robinson, Krebs, and McComas

AN ACT concerning

Personal Property Tax – Exemption – Small Business

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from personal property tax during a certain time period for property that is owned by certain businesses and purchased after a certain date; and generally relating to an exemption from the personal property tax for certain businesses in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7–245

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 447 – Delegates McMillan, B. Barnes, Beidle, Chang, Frush, S. Howard, and McConkey

AN ACT concerning

City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Election Days

FOR the purpose of adding the City of Annapolis to the list of subdivisions in which a holder of an alcoholic beverages license may exercise all of the privileges conferred

by that license on the day of any election in that subdivision; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in the City of Annapolis.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–401(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 448 – Delegates K. Young and Reznik

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Hazing

FOR the purpose of providing that the offense of hazing is committed by subjecting a student to the risk of serious bodily injury, regardless of whether injury actually occurs, for the purpose of a certain initiation; altering the penalty for a certain offense relating to subjecting a student to the risk of serious bodily injury; and generally relating to hazing.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–607
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 449 – Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, S. Robinson, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Barkley, B. Barnes, Beidle, Carr, Cullison, Ebersole, Frush, Gutierrez, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Kelly, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Pendergrass, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, Smith, Turner, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Hydraulic Fracturing – Protect Our Health and Communities

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a permit to authorize the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of natural gas in the State until a certain date and until a certain panel is appointed, convenes, and reports to the Governor and General Assembly on a certain date;

establishing a certain panel of experts for certain purposes; requiring the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates to appoint a certain number of members to the panel in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the panel to be appointed and convened on or after a certain date; requiring the panel to examine certain scientific literature through a certain date; requiring the panel to report to the Governor and General Assembly on a certain date; defining a certain term; and generally relating to hydraulic fracturing for the exploration or production of natural gas.

BY adding to

Article – Environment
Section 14–107.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 450 – Delegates Carr, B. Barnes, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Korman, Lam, Luedtke, A. Miller, Pena–Melnyk, and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Bicycle and Pedestrian Priority Areas

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration, under certain circumstances, to make a determination by certain dates on whether to designate certain areas as bicycle and pedestrian priority areas; requiring the Administration to adopt a certain statewide policy on or before a certain date; clarifying that the Administration and a local government each must make a certain designation before a certain plan is required to be implemented; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to bicycle and pedestrian priority areas.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 8–204(c) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 451 – Delegates Reznik, Dumais, Ebersole, Frick, Hayes, Haynes, C. Howard, Lam, Smith, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Regulation of Teletherapy

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Regulation of Teletherapy; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations on certain matters; requiring the Task Force to submit an interim report and a final report, including its findings and recommendations, to the Governor and certain legislative committees on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Regulation of Teletherapy.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 452 – Delegates Ebersole, Afzali, Atterbeary, Barkley, Cassilly, Cullison, Davis, Fraser–Hidalgo, Hill, Hixson, Hornberger, C. Howard, Jalisi, Kaiser, Kelly, Kipke, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, Lisanti, Luedtke, McComas, McCray, McDonough, Metzgar, Moon, Oaks, Pendergrass, Platt, Reilly, Reznik, Shoemaker, Sydnor, Szeliga, Tarlau, Turner, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to survey, assess, review, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the State Board of Education and certain county boards of education on or before a certain date; requiring the State Board and certain county boards to review and consider the Commission’s findings and make certain comments or recommendations on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 453 – Delegates Tarlau, Carr, Luedtke, Pena–Melnik, Platt, S. Robinson, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Telephone Service – Battery for Backup Power

FOR the purpose of requiring a telephone company to provide a certain battery that provides backup power for basic telephone service on a certain network to a customer free of charge; requiring a telephone company to provide a certain replacement battery to a customer free of charge under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the provision of telephone service.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 8–207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 454 – Delegates Szeliga, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Buckel, Chang, Cluster, Fisher, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Morgan, O'Donnell, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Vitale, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle–Miles–Traveled Tax and Associated Mandated Devices – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from imposing or levying a vehicle–miles–traveled tax or certain other similar fees, tolls, or taxes; prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from requiring the installation of a device in or on a privately owned vehicle to facilitate the reporting of vehicle–miles traveled; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to a prohibition against a vehicle–miles–traveled tax and associated mandated devices.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 9–205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 9–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Vehicle–Miles–Traveled Tax – Prohibited”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 22–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 455 – Delegates Parrott, Bromwell, Cluster, Kittleman, Moon, Valentino–Smith, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Agreements to Defend or Pay the Cost of Defense – Void

FOR the purpose of providing that certain agreements to defend or pay the costs of defending certain promisees or indemnitees against liability for certain damages are against public policy and are void and unenforceable under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain agreements to defend or pay the costs of defending certain promisees or indemnitees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–401(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 456 – Delegates Morales, Dumais, Anderson, Atterbeary, Carter, Clippinger, Cluster, Conaway, Folden, Gutierrez, Kaiser, McComas, Moon, Rosenberg, Simonaire, Smith, Sydnor, Valentino–Smith, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking

FOR the purpose of establishing the Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking; specifying the purpose of the Workgroup; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the duties of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 457 – Delegates McDonough, Cluster, Krebs, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Law – Death Penalty – Murder of Law Enforcement Officer,
Correctional Officer, First Responder, or Witness**

FOR the purpose of providing that a person who is convicted of first degree murder may be sentenced to death under certain circumstances; providing that the murder of a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, a certain first responder, or a certain witness, under certain circumstances is an aggravating circumstance that the court or jury must consider in making a determination as to the imposition of the death penalty; establishing certain procedures for custody, warrant of execution, incompetency, method of execution, witnesses, certificate, disposition of body, notice, and trial and sentencing in relation to the imposition of the death penalty; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to complete a presentence investigation report in each case in which the death penalty was requested under a certain provision of law; providing that the juvenile court does not have jurisdiction over a child of a certain age alleged to have done an act which, if committed by an adult, would be a crime punishable by death, as well as certain other charges, unless a certain order has been filed; providing that the juvenile court may waive the exclusive jurisdiction conferred by a certain provision of law with respect to a petition alleging delinquency by a child who has not reached a certain age, but who is charged with committing an act which if committed by an adult, would be punishable by death; authorizing a trial judge to strike an individual from a jury on the basis of the individual's belief for or against capital punishment only if the judge finds that the belief would prevent or substantially impair the individual from returning an impartial verdict according to law; providing that an individual struck from a jury under a certain provision of law may serve on another jury for which the basis for the strike is irrelevant; applying a certain provision of law relating to peremptory challenges to a criminal trial in which a defendant is subject, on any single count, to a death sentence because the State has given a certain notice of intention to seek a death sentence or a sentence of life imprisonment, including a case in which the State has not given a certain notice of intention to seek a death sentence; providing that a certain provision of law authorizing a court that issued an execution on a forfeited recognizance for a certain witness to discharge the witness from execution on a certain motion does not apply in a case if capital punishment may be involved; providing that the Court of Appeals has exclusive appellate jurisdiction over a criminal case in which the death penalty is imposed and any appellate proceeding under a certain provision of law relating to certain incompetent inmates; requiring a court to dismiss a certain charge against a certain defendant found incompetent to stand trial when charged with a capital offense, after the expiration of a certain number of years; prohibiting the release of a defendant on personal recognizance if the defendant is charged with a crime punishable by death; applying the Uniform Postconviction Procedure Act to a person convicted in any court in the State who is confined under sentence of death; adding certain provisions to the Uniform Postconviction Procedure Act for proceedings after death sentences; specifying that

the review of a sentence of death is governed by certain provisions of law; prohibiting a review panel from increasing a sentence to the sentence of death; providing that a victim's representative has the same right to address the jury in a death penalty sentencing as a victim's representative has to address a court in a certain other sentencing or disposition hearing; creating certain procedures relating to the determination of whether a victim's representative may present an oral address to the jury in a death penalty sentencing; authorizing the Court of Appeals to adopt rules of procedure to govern the conduct of death penalty sentencing proceedings; establishing certain procedures for the review of a death sentence by the Court of Appeals; providing that certain provisions of law relating to multiple convictions for a crime of violence do not apply if a person is sentenced to death; creating certain exceptions; making conforming, stylistic, and clarifying changes; and generally relating to the death penalty.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 3–901 through 3–909 and the subtitle “Subtitle 9. Death Penalty Procedures”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 4–101(e)(2), 4–305(b)(2), 6–112(c), and 7–301(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–8A–03(d)(1), 3–8A–06(a), 8–404, 8–420, and 9–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 12–307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 156 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 2013)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 3–105(b), 3–106(a), 3–107(a), 4–204(b), 5–101(c), 7–101, 7–103(b), and
7–107(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 7–201 through 7–204 and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Proceedings After Death Sentences”; 8–108 and 11–404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–201(b), 2–304(a), 2–305, and 14–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–202, 2–301, 2–303; and 2–401 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Review by Court of Appeals”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 8–505(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 16–812(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 458 – Delegates S. Robinson, Fraser–Hidalgo, Barkley, Beidle, Carr, Frush, Healey, Lafferty, Lam, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, Smith, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Exploration and Production Waste and Waste From Hydraulic Fracturing

FOR the purpose of establishing that exploration and production waste is a controlled hazardous substance for the purpose of certain laws and regulations if it exhibits certain characteristics; prohibiting the Department of the Environment from exempting exploration and production waste from certain requirements relating to controlled hazardous substances; prohibiting a person from accepting, receiving,

collecting, storing, treating, transferring, or disposing of, in the State, waste from hydraulic fracturing; defining certain terms; and generally relating to exploration and production waste and waste from hydraulic fracturing.

BY adding to

Article – Environment
Section 7–205.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Environment
Section 9–101(a) and (j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Environment
Section 9–293 to be under the new part “Part IX. Waste From Hydraulic Fracturing”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 459 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County – Rectifiers and Bottlers – Liquor Sales and Delivery to Retail Dealers MC 25–15

FOR the purpose of authorizing a holder of a Class 2 manufacturer’s license that also holds a Class 1 wholesaler’s license or a nonresident dealer permit to sell or deliver its own distilled spirits to a county liquor dispensary, a restaurant, or any other retail dealer in Montgomery County; authorizing a county liquor dispensary, a restaurant, or any other retail dealer in Montgomery County to purchase beer directly from a holder of a Class 2 manufacturer’s license that also holds a Class 1 wholesaler’s license or a nonresident dealer permit; and generally relating to beer sales to retail dealers in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–204(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–204(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 460 – Delegates Rosenberg and Haynes

AN ACT concerning

Couples Advancing Together Pilot Program – Eligibility and Extension

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement relating to the number of counties in which the Secretary of Human Resources is required to establish the Couples Advancing Together Pilot Program; altering the provision of law relating to the number of couples to be assisted by the Program; repealing the requirement that an individual be an adult under a certain age to be eligible to participate in the Program; requiring a couple to be raising together a child under a certain age to be eligible to participate in the Program; altering the termination date of the Program; and generally relating to the Couples Advancing Together Pilot Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 5–318.1(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 5–318.1(b) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 367 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 461 – Delegates Rosenberg, Vallario, Conaway, and Morales

AN ACT concerning

District Court – Civil Jurisdiction – Amount in Controversy

FOR the purpose of altering the civil jurisdiction of the District Court to include certain cases involving not more than a certain amount in controversy; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the civil jurisdiction of the District Court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 4–401(1) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 462 – Delegates K. Young, Barron, Kaiser, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Statewide Accounting of Sexual Assault Evidence Kits

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain law enforcement agency or other State or local agency to conduct an inventory of certain sexual assault kit evidence on or before a certain date; requiring a certain agency to prepare a certain report regarding certain untested sexual assault evidence collection kits on or before a certain date; requiring the report to be submitted to the Attorney General; requiring the Attorney General to prepare and submit to the General Assembly a certain report and certain recommendations on or before a certain date; and generally relating to sexual assault evidence.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 463 – Delegate K. Young

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Funeral Establishment Licenses – Ownership and Operation Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the criteria to be used by the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors when issuing a funeral establishment license so as to require that the funeral establishment be owned and operated in accordance with certain provisions of law by a certain individual or group of individuals or operated in accordance with certain provisions of law by a holder of a certain license; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, funeral establishment licenses, and ownership and operation requirements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations

Section 7–310(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 464 – Delegates Rey, Afzali, Arentz, Aumann, Beidle, Beitzel, Buckel, Carey, Ciliberti, Cluster, Fisher, Folden, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, Morgan, O'Donnell, Otto, Parrott, Reilly, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, West, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Handgun Permits – Reciprocity

FOR the purpose of specifying that a permit issued by another state to an individual to carry a handgun, including a concealed handgun, is valid in Maryland; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–303.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 465 – Delegates Dumais, Barkley, Barve, Carr, Cullison, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frick, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hixson, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Waldstreicher, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Cornerstone Montgomery and Interfaith Works Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$350,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone

Montgomery, Inc. and the Board of Directors of the Interfaith Works, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 466 – Delegates Folden, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Angel, Arentz, Atterbeary, B. Barnes, Buckel, Campos, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Dumais, Ebersole, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jackson, Jacobs, Jalisi, Kelly, Kipke, Kittleman, Knotts, Kramer, Krebs, Krimm, Lisanti, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McCray, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morgan, Otto, Reilly, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Smith, Sophocleus, Sydnor, Szeliga, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vallario, Vitale, Vogt, West, B. Wilson, C. Wilson, K. Young, P. Young, and Ciliberti

AN ACT concerning

**State Highway Administration – Dedication of Structures – Gold Star Families
(Hero’s Highway Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to establish a process by which a member of the General Assembly may request, on behalf of a United States Department of Defense Gold Star recipient, that the Administration dedicate a bridge or other appropriate structure to the recipient’s spouse, child, or other relative whose life was lost in combat; and generally relating to State highways.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 8–656

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 467 – Delegates Frick, Korman, Kelly, Barkley, Barve, Carr, Cullison, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hixson, Kaiser, Kramer, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Waldstreicher, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Josiah Henson Park

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$275,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 468 – Delegates Jameson and Davis

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company and Injured Workers' Insurance Fund Advisory Board

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company to take certain actions relating to a subsidiary for certain purposes subject to certain requirements and under certain circumstances; specifying a certain condition of being an authorized insurer; altering the selection and appointment process for the members of the Board for the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company; repealing a requirement that certain appointees take a certain oath before taking office as members of the Board; altering the staggering of the terms of members of the Board; authorizing the Governor to remove only certain members for incompetence or misconduct; authorizing the Board to remove certain members under certain circumstances; requiring a certain designated rating organization to create a certain exception in its classification system for certain authorized insurers; authorizing the Company to remain exempt from certain insurance rate making requirements until a certain date; repealing certain provisions of law that exempt the Company from certain aspects of the insurance rate making process; repealing a provision of law that requires the Board to set rates in a certain manner; establishing the Advisory Board for the Injured Workers' Insurance Fund; providing for the membership of the Advisory Board; requiring the Advisory Board, to the extent practicable, to reflect the geographic and demographic diversity of the State; providing for the terms of the members of the Advisory Board; prohibiting a member of the Advisory Board from serving for more than a certain number of terms or a certain number of years or serving as a member of a certain board; providing that a member of the Advisory Board is entitled to certain reimbursement and compensation; requiring a member of the Advisory Board to take a certain oath before taking office; requiring the Advisory Board to monitor and oversee the administration of a certain program, meet quarterly, and review certain information and report certain findings to certain persons; authorizing the Advisory Board to consult with certain employees, make certain recommendations, and retain certain professionals under certain circumstances; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that a rating organization, in consultation with the Company, create a certain exception in its

classification system for authorized insurers before a certain date; requiring the terms of certain members to be extended until a certain date; specifying the process for appointing or selecting a certain member of the Board; authorizing the Governor to appoint a certain member of the Board to be a member for an additional term; providing for the terms of certain members of the Board; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Advisory Board; defining a certain term; altering a certain defined term; making conforming changes; providing for delayed effective dates for certain provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 11–202, 11–303, 24–302, 24–306, and 24–307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 11–331 and 11–332

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Insurance

Section 24–305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 10–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 10–105.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 469 – Delegates Jameson and Branch

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Electricity – Construction of Overhead Transmission Lines

FOR the purpose of altering the scope of persons who may apply for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to begin construction of a certain new overhead transmission line for electricity under certain circumstances to include a person rather than only an electric company; prohibiting the Public Service Commission from authorizing, and prohibiting a certain person from undertaking, the construction of a certain new overhead transmission line that is within a certain distance of a public airport runway; and generally relating to the construction of overhead transmission lines.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(a), (h), and (u)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–207
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 470 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Malpractice – Certificates and Reports of Qualified Experts

FOR the purpose of establishing certain procedures for determining the legal sufficiency of certain certificates of qualified experts and their reports in certain health care malpractice claims or actions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain certificates of qualified experts and certain reports by attesting experts in health care malpractice claims and actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–04(b) and 3–2A–06D
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 471 – Delegates Kramer, Atterbeary, Barkley, Dumais,
Fraser–Hidalgo, Luedtke, and Morales**

AN ACT concerning

School Bus Monitoring Cameras – Local Jurisdictions – Civil Penalty

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of a local jurisdiction to establish a civil penalty, not exceeding a certain amount, for violations relating to overtaking and passing a school vehicle that are recorded by a school bus monitoring camera; repealing a requirement that the District Court prescribe a certain civil penalty; and generally relating to civil penalties for violations recorded by school bus monitoring cameras.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–706.1(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 472 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Telephone Companies – Streamlined Regulatory Requirements

FOR the purpose of narrowing the types of services of a telephone company that are regulated by the Public Service Commission by altering a certain definition; providing that the Commission may allow a telephone company to provide a regulated service without requiring the telephone company to file a certain tariff schedule under certain circumstances; providing that a certain merger of or transfer of stock or other ownership interest between a telephone company and another certain entity does not require a certain prior authorization from the Commission; providing that a certain transaction in which a telephone company is acquired by another certain entity does not require a certain prior authorization from the Commission; allowing a telephone company to withdraw offering a certain retail service under certain circumstances after providing certain notice; and generally relating to regulatory requirements of telephone companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(l), 4–202, 5–203, and 6–101

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 8–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 473 – Delegates Kramer, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, Krebs, McComas, Morales, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Tax Credits – Employment of Individuals With Disabilities

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of certain credits against the State income tax, insurance premium tax, financial institution franchise tax, and public service company franchise tax for certain wages paid and certain child care or transportation expenses incurred by certain business entities with respect to certain employees with disabilities; repealing a certain obsolete provision of law; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to tax credits for wages paid and child care or transportation expenses incurred by a business entity with respect to the employment of individuals with disabilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 21–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 474 – Delegates B. Robinson, Carr, Carter, Cluster, Frush, Glenn, Hill, Holmes, Jalisi, Korman, McDonough, Smith, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Grandparent Visitation

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which an equity court may grant visitation rights to a grandparent of a child; and generally relating to visitation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law

Section 9–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 475 – Delegate Impallaria

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Wine Container Permits

FOR the purpose of establishing a refillable wine container permit in Harford County; authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board to issue a refillable container permit for wine to a holder of a certain license under certain circumstances and conditions; specifying that this Act applies in the County to wine, including mead; providing that the permit authorizes the permit holder to sell wine for off–premises consumption in a refillable container under certain circumstances and conditions; making a clarifying change; and generally relating to refillable container permits for wine in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 1–102(a)(1), (3), (9–1), and (28) and 21–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–103 and 8–213.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 476 – Delegates Kramer, Barkley, Fraser–Hidalgo, Glass, A. Miller, and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Wearable Computer With Head–Mounted Display – Prohibited

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an individual from operating a motor vehicle on a highway while wearing or using a wearable computer with a head–mounted display; defining a certain term; and generally relating to prohibiting the wearing or use of a wearable computer with a head–mounted display while operating a motor vehicle on a highway.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation
Section 21–1130
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 27–101(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 477 – Delegates McComas, Folden, Glass, Hornberger, Krebs, McDonough, Metzgar, Rey, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permits – Term

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of State Police to set the date for expiration of a handgun permit under certain circumstances; clarifying that an expiration date for a handgun permit does not apply if the permit is renewed under certain circumstances; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 5–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 478 – Delegate McDonough

AN ACT concerning

**Labor and Employment – Discrimination Based on the Use of Tobacco Products
– Prohibition**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, an employer from discriminating in any manner or taking adverse action against an employee or an applicant based on the employee or applicant using tobacco products off the employer's premises during nonworking hours; authorizing employees and applicants to submit to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry a written complaint

or bring a certain action under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to investigate whether a certain provision of this Act has been violated on receipt of a certain complaint; requiring the Commissioner to take certain action if an employer violates a certain provision of this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to bring an action for certain relief under a certain provision of this Act in a certain county; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a prohibition against employer discrimination based on the use of tobacco products.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–103(e)(7) and 3–714
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 479 – Delegates McComas, Aumann, Glass, Hornberger, Krebs, McDonough, Metzgar, Rey, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Private Detective Agencies – License Terms

FOR the purpose of altering the term of a license to conduct business to provide private detective services; making a conforming change; and generally relating to private detective agencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 13–101(a), (f), and (l) and 13–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 13–308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 480 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Ciliberti, Cluster, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, Morgan,

**O'Donnell, Otto, Parrott, Rey, Saab, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, West, B. Wilson,
and C. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

Small Business Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of exempting from the personal property tax persons with personal property that is assessed at less than a certain amount of total assessed value; exempting certain persons from certain annual reporting requirements and any associated fees under certain circumstances; requiring an appropriation in the annual State budget for certain reimbursements to counties or municipal corporations in certain years; requiring the Department to establish application procedures for a certain purpose; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the personal property tax.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7-245

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 481 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates
Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Bromwell, Buckel, Carozza,
Cassilly, Ciliberti, Cluster, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer,
Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long,
Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar,
Miele, Morgan, O'Donnell, Otto, Parrott, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Szeliga,
Vitale, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

**Stormwater Management – Watershed Protection and Restoration Program –
Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law requiring that, on or before a certain date, a county or municipality subject to a certain municipal stormwater permit adopt and implement laws or ordinances to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality maintain or administer a local watershed protection and restoration fund in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish and annually collect a stormwater remediation fee in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish certain policies and procedures to reduce a certain stormwater remediation fee to account for certain measures; repealing certain

provisions of law relating to the prohibition against the assessment of a stormwater remediation fee on a property by both a county and a municipality; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality determine the method, frequency, and enforcement of the collection of the stormwater remediation fee; repealing the requirement that certain money be deposited in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the uses of money in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality make publicly available a certain report beginning on a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish a certain hardship exemption program; repealing the authorization of the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; altering the definition of a certain term; repealing the definition of a certain term; and generally relating to stormwater management in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–201.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 482 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Beidle, Beitzel, Bromwell, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Ciliberti, Cluster, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Jackson, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, O'Donnell, Oaks, Otto, Parrott, Proctor, Saab, Shoemaker, Sophocleus, Szeliga, Vitale, West, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Retirement Income

FOR the purpose of altering for certain taxable years a certain limitation on a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain military retirement income; and generally relating to a subtraction modification for military retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 483 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates O'Donnell, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Bromwell, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Ciliberti, Cluster, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, Morgan, Otto, Parrott, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, West, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Motorist Tax Relief – Motor Fuel Tax – Consumer Price Index and Sales and Use Tax Equivalent Rate Adjustments – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain motor fuel tax rates be adjusted in future years based on growth in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers; repealing a requirement that a certain sales and use tax equivalent rate be determined in a certain manner on certain dates and added to the motor fuel tax rates; making conforming and technical changes; and generally relating to the motor fuel tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–305 and 9–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Chapter 429 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 8

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments
Chapter 429 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 11 and 12

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 484 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, O'Donnell, Otto, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, West, B. Wilson, C. Wilson, and Ciliberti

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Highway User Revenues – Phased Restoration

FOR the purpose of increasing the portion of highway user revenues that is distributed to local governments; altering the allocation of the local share of highway user revenues among Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to highway user revenues.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–402 and 8–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 485 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Ebersole, Fennell, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Hornberger, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, Otto, Reilly, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vogt, A. Washington, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Fair Campaign Financing Fund – Income Tax Checkoff

FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller to establish a checkoff on the individual income tax return through which certain individuals may make a contribution up to a certain amount to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; providing that certain fines and penalties be deposited in the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; requiring the Comptroller to take certain actions to administer the checkoff; and generally relating to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law

Section 15–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 16–1003
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–113.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 486 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Bromwell, Buckel, Carozza, Ciliberti, Cluster, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, Hornberger, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, O’Donnell, Otto, Parrott, Reilly, Saab, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Charter School Expansion and Improvement Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of including certain employees of certain public charter school operators under certain provisions of law relating to collective bargaining; authorizing certain employees of certain public charter school operators to form certain employee organizations; requiring certain employee organizations to be separate units in a county for the purpose of collective bargaining; altering a certain requirement to hold a certain lottery under certain circumstances and in accordance with a certain application; authorizing certain public charter schools to give certain weight to certain students during a certain lottery; clarifying that the State Board of Education is a public chartering authority; specifying certain contents of a certain application; prohibiting certain public chartering authorities from withholding approval of certain applications under certain circumstances; altering the time period within which the State Board must render a decision on a certain appeal; requiring certain professional staff to be qualified and credentialed in a certain manner; authorizing certain public charter schools to apply to the State Board for certain waivers; repealing a certain requirement that a certain waiver be sought through a certain process; authorizing certain employees of a public charter school to be employees of the operator of the public charter school; requiring a certain application to include certain information relating to the employment status of certain employees;

authorizing a certain employment status to be changed on renewal of a certain application; prohibiting certain employees of a public charter school operator from being required to be members of a certain bargaining unit or bound by a certain collective bargaining agreement; requiring a county board to make certain disbursements in each fiscal year to a public charter school; requiring a public charter school to reimburse local school systems under certain circumstances; requiring public charter schools to be eligible for the public school construction program; requiring the State Department of Education to act as the administering agency for certain purposes; requiring public charter schools to be subject to a certain State and local cost-share formula; authorizing the use of certain funds for the construction or renovation of public charter schools; requiring certain agencies to adopt certain regulations; requiring a certain staff person at the Department to perform certain duties; including certain employees of public charter school operators under certain provisions of law relating to the State Teachers' Pension System and the Teachers' Retirement System; making certain stylistic changes; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the laws that relate to public charter schools in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 6–401(c), (e)(1), and (f), 6–404(a), (c), and (d), 6–405(a), 6–407(a), 9–102, 9–102.1, and 9–103 through 9–110

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 9–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 9–102.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 21–304(a)(6) and (7), 22–205(a)(1), and 23–206(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 487 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates
Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, D. Barnes, Beidle, Bromwell,**

Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Chang, Cluster, Fennell, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, Hettleman, Holmes, Hornberger, Impallaria, Jacobs, Jameson, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, O'Donnell, Oaks, Otto, Parrott, Patterson, Proctor, Reilly, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Sophocleus, Szeliga, Valentino-Smith, Vallario, Vaughn, Vitale, Vogt, West, B. Wilson, and Ciliberti

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Education Credit

FOR the purpose of allowing a credit against the State income tax for contributions made to certain student assistance organizations; requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development to administer the tax credit; requiring an entity to submit an application to be a student assistance organization by a certain date each year; requiring a student assistance organization to meet certain qualifications; requiring a business entity to submit a certain application within a certain time period and to make a contribution to a student assistance organization and to provide certain notice within a certain time period; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to approve certain applications within a certain time period and in a certain manner; requiring the Department to rescind certain tax credit certificates if certain notice is not provided within a certain time period; providing limits on the amount of certain tax credits and the aggregate amount of tax credits that may be approved by the Department in a calendar year; establishing the Maryland Education Tax Credit Reserve Fund; authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation to the Fund in the annual budget bill and providing the intent of the General Assembly that the appropriation may not exceed a certain amount each year; requiring the Comptroller to transfer certain amounts from the Fund to the General Fund under certain circumstances; providing that certain unused tax credits may not be carried forward; requiring the Department to publish and update a certain list in a certain manner each year and report certain information on the credit each year; requiring a certain addition modification under the Maryland income tax if a certain tax credit is claimed; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for contributions made to certain student assistance organizations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–123(a)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–205(a) and 10–306(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–205(l), 10–306(g), and 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 488 – The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates Cluster, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Aumann, Beidle, Beitzel, Bromwell, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Fisher, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Grammer, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jackson, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Long, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, O’Donnell, Oaks, Otto, Parrott, Rey, Saab, Sophocleus, Szeliga, Vogt, West, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Law Enforcement, Fire, Rescue, and
Emergency Services Personnel
(Hometown Heroes Act)**

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain qualifying volunteer fire, rescue, and emergency medical services members; providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax under certain circumstances for a certain amount of retirement income attributable to a resident’s employment as a law enforcement officer or the individual’s service as fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to subtraction modifications under the Maryland income tax for certain law enforcement officers and fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(i–1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 546 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 51)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:17 P.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 10, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 10, 2015

The House met at 10:06 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Anne Healey of Prince George's County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 52)

The Journal of February 9, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Barve – business

Del. Vaughn – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 489 – Delegates A. Miller, Barkley, Beidle, Chang, Dumais, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frush, Hixson, Jalisi, Kelly, Lam, Moon, Morhaim, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, M. Washington, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Electronic Cigarettes – Sale to Minors – Components, Supplies, and Enforcement

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the prohibition against selling, distributing, or offering for sale a certain electronic device to a minor that can be used to deliver nicotine includes any component for the device or product used to refill or resupply the device; clarifying that the exception to the prohibition for devices approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration applies only to devices for sale as a certain tobacco cessation product; changing a violation of the prohibition from a misdemeanor to a civil infraction; establishing certain civil penalties; providing that a sworn law enforcement officer, county health officer, or a designee of a county health officer may issue a certain civil citation for a violation of this Act; providing requirements for processing a certain citation; providing for a certain election to stand trial; authorizing a certain prosecution; authorizing the District Court to

access certain costs; requiring the District Court to remit certain collected penalties in a certain manner; clarifying that the adjudication of a violation of this Act is not a criminal conviction for any purpose; and generally relating to electronic cigarettes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Judiciary.

THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS REPORT #1

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably with amendments:

House Bill 10 – Delegate Jones

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

HB0010/824269/1

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 10

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Delegate Jones” and substitute “Delegates Jones and McIntosh”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in line 9, strike “October” and substitute “June”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably with amendments:

House Bill 37 – Delegate Schulz

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology

HB0037/404066/1

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 37

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Delegate Schulz” and substitute “Frederick County Delegation”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 3, after the first “of” insert “establishing the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology”; and in line 13, strike “Committee” and substitute “Commission”.

On page 2 in line 9, and on page 3 in line 23, in each instance, strike “the Center” and substitute “**FREDERICK CREST**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 12, after “**TECHNOLOGY**” insert “**THAT IS GOVERNED BY THE FREDERICK CENTER FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**”.

The preceding 3 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably:

House Bill 46 – Delegates Jones and A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight – Revisions

Favorable report adopted.

Delegate McDonough moved to make the Bill a Special Order for Wednesday.

The motion was adopted.

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably:

House Bill 115 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC MATTERS REPORT #1

Delegate Davis, Chair, for the Committee on Economic Matters reported favorably:

House Bill 35 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS REPORT #1

Delegate Hixson, Chair, for the Committee on Ways and Means reported favorably:

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Tax Year 2014 – Technical Correction

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

February 10, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

With your concurrence we propose a joint meeting of the General Assembly in the House Chamber on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of hearing the Honorable Mary Ellen Barbera, Chief Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals, address such Joint Session on the State of the Judiciary.

We have appointed Delegates Bromwell and Atterbeary to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber for the joint meeting.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of five, three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to escort the Chief Judge to the House Chamber. In anticipation of your concurrence, we appoint from the House, Delegates Barron, B. Wilson and Dumais.

We have invited the Chief Executive to attend this session. In anticipation of his acceptance, we propose the appointment of a committee of five, three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to escort the Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed on the part of the House, Delegates Smith, Hill and Saab.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

February 10, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We have received your message that the Honorable Mary Ellen Barbera, Chief Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals, intends to address a joint meeting of the General Assembly in the House of Delegates Chamber on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 11 a.m. for the State of the Judiciary.

We respectfully concur in your message and have appointed on behalf of the Senate, Senators Raskin and Edwards, as members of the joint committee to escort the Chief Judge to the House Chamber.

We also have appointed on behalf of the Senate, Senators Pugh and Jennings, as members of the joint committee to escort the Governor to the House Chamber.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 53)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:23 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:30 A.M. on Wednesday, February 11, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 11, 2015

The House met at 10:32 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Cathy Vitale of Anne Arundel County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 134 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 54)

The Journal of February 10, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Saab – late – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 490 – Delegates Morhaim and Glenn

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission – Miscellaneous Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering the purpose of the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission; increasing and altering the membership of the Commission; requiring a certain application submitted by an academic medical center to include certain documentation; repealing a requirement that a certain application submitted by an academic medical center include certain information; repealing a requirement that the Commission establish a certain application review process; requiring the Commission to approve an application submitted by a certain academic medical center that meets certain requirements; extending the time period for which the Commission may grant an approval to a certain program; prohibiting the Commission from placing certain requirements on certain programs; altering the frequency with which a certain academic medical center is required to provide certain data to the Commission; repealing a requirement that a certain academic medical center apply annually to the Commission for renewal of a certain program;

authorizing a certain academic medical center to apply to the Commission for a renewal of approval of a certain program on expiration of the program; repealing a provision of law providing that a certain academic medical center is subject to certain inspection; authorizing the Commission to conduct a certain review of certain academic medical centers; altering the circumstances under which the Commission may rescind approval of a certain program; altering the circumstances under which the Commission is required to approve a certifying physician; prohibiting the Commission from requiring an individual to meet certain additional requirements to be approved as a certifying physician; prohibiting the Commission from limiting a medical condition to one class of physician for treatment; altering a certain definition; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–3301(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–3301(d), 13–3302, 13–3303(a), and 13–3304 through 13–3307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 491 – Delegates Morhaim, Aumann, Hettleman, Stein, and West

AN ACT concerning

**Office of Cemetery Oversight – Conservation Cemeteries – Perpetual Care Trust
Fund Requirements**

FOR the purpose of reducing the minimum amount that a certain registered cemeterian or permit holder that operates a conservation cemetery is required to deposit initially into the perpetual care trust fund; reducing the percentage of the selling price of a right of interment in a burial lot in a conservation cemetery that the registered cemeterian or permit holder operating the conservation cemetery is required to pay in cash to a certain trustee for deposit into the perpetual care trust fund; defining a certain term; and generally relating to perpetual care trust fund requirements for conservation cemeteries.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–101 and 5–603
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 492 – Delegates Afzali, Aumann, Carozza, Ciliberti, Ghrist, Hornberger, Impallaria, Kipke, Krebs, Long, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, O’Donnell, Otto, Parrott, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Pain–Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, the performance or inducement or attempted performance or inducement of an abortion of a pregnant woman unless a certain determination as to the probable age of the unborn child is made by a certain physician; providing that the failure of a physician to perform certain actions is deemed unprofessional conduct; prohibiting the performance or inducement or attempted performance or inducement of an abortion of a pregnant woman if the probable age of an unborn child is a certain number of weeks, except under certain circumstances; requiring an abortion to be performed in a certain manner under certain circumstances; requiring certain physicians to submit a certain report to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene that includes certain information; requiring the Department to issue a certain public report by a certain date each year that includes certain information; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; establishing certain civil and criminal penalties; authorizing certain persons to bring a civil action under certain circumstances; authorizing certain persons to apply to a certain court for permanent or temporary injunctive relief against a certain person under certain circumstances; providing for the award of certain attorney’s fees under certain circumstances; requiring a court to make a certain determination in a certain proceeding; requiring a court to issue certain orders under certain circumstances; requiring certain persons to use a pseudonym to bring a certain action in court under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of various provisions of this Act; stating certain findings of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Pain–Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–217 through 20–225 to be under the new part “Part V. Pain–Capable Unborn Child Protection Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 493 – Delegates McMillan, Beidle, Frush, Holmes, Stein, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Prohibition Against Unattended Motor Vehicle – Exception

FOR the purpose of creating an exception to the prohibition against leaving an unattended motor vehicle under certain circumstances for a motor vehicle that operates unattended for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the prohibition against unattended motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–1101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 22–402(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 494 – Delegates Anderson, Conaway, Dumais, Moon, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Pretrial Release – Charge by Summons

FOR the purpose of providing that a court or clerk’s office that is in session or open on a weekend or holiday for a certain purpose is not in session or open for any other purpose or function; repealing a provision of law authorizing a District Court commissioner to set bond or commit persons to jail in default of bond or release them on personal recognizance if circumstances warrant; repealing a provision of law authorizing a District Court commissioner to generally perform all the functions of committing magistrates as exercised by the justices of the peace prior to a certain date; requiring a police officer to submit a statement of charges to a District Court commissioner, serve on the defendant a statement of charges and summons, and release the defendant under certain circumstances; prohibiting a District Court commissioner from issuing a summons for a defendant under certain circumstances; providing that a defendant may not be charged by summons if a law enforcement officer makes a certain certification; requiring a certain law enforcement officer to file a certain affidavit with the court; requiring the clerk of the court to send a copy of a certain affidavit along with a certain statement of charges to the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to analyze certain documents and provide a certain annual report to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing that a certain defendant

may be charged by citation under certain circumstances; requiring a District Court commissioner to give certain advisements to a certain defendant at a certain time; requiring a District Court commissioner to require a certain defendant to sign a certain written acknowledgment; repealing certain provisions of law requiring a District Court commissioner to consider including certain victim protections as a condition of pretrial release for a certain defendant; providing that certain forms shall provide that an applicant for a statement of charges may request no contact with the alleged victim or the alleged victim's residence or place of employment; requiring a commissioner to include certain conditions of no contact as part of a certain statement of charges and summons under certain circumstances; providing that if a certain defendant objects to certain no-contact conditions, the court must schedule a hearing to make a certain determination; repealing certain provisions of law prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of certain defendants under certain circumstances and authorizing a judge to release certain defendants under certain circumstances; providing that a person who is arrested and not released pursuant to a citation or summons shall be detained, with a certain exception, and taken before a judge of the District Court or the circuit court without unnecessary delay, and in no event later than a certain amount of time after arrest; requiring the District Court to operate in session a certain number of days a week for the purpose of making release determinations for arrested persons; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to pretrial release and charge by summons.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 1–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–607
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 4–101.2, 4–101.3, and 5–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 5–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 5–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 495 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Possession of Less Than 10 Grams of Marijuana – Code Violation

FOR the purpose of specifying that a person who violates a certain provision of law involving the use or possession of marijuana in the amount of 10 grams or more is guilty of the misdemeanor of possession of marijuana; altering a certain provision of law so as to provide that a finding of guilt, rather than a violation, of a certain provision of law is a civil offense punishable by a certain fine; requiring the District Court to schedule a certain case for trial if a certain defendant does not prepay a certain fine within a certain amount of time; establishing certain procedures for a certain Code violation proceeding; providing that a certain defendant is liable for certain costs; authorizing the State’s Attorney to prosecute a certain violation in a certain manner; authorizing the court to collect the date of birth of an individual charged with violating a certain provision of law; and generally relating to possession of marijuana.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–601(a) and (c)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–601(c)(2) and 5–601.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 496 – Delegates Vallario, Anderson, Cluster, Jackson, Kittleman, McComas, and Oaks

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Government–Funded Legal Representation – Initial Appearance

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution establishing that a certain constitutional provision may not be construed to require government–funded legal representation of an indigent defendant at an initial appearance before a District Court commissioner; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Declaration of Rights
Article 24

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 497 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration) and Delegates Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax – Exemption – Low Income Housing – Ownership by Limited Liability Company

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption, under certain circumstances, from property tax for certain real property if, under certain circumstances, the owner of the real property is a certain limited liability company or is a certain limited partnership whose managing general partner is a certain limited liability company; providing that the real property may be exempt from property tax only under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax exemption for certain housing for low income families.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 498 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Jalisi, Barkley, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Barron, Bromwell, Campos, Clippinger, Cullison, Davis, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Hill, Impallaria, Jackson, Kaiser, Kelly, Kipke, Korman, Kramer, Luedtke, McMillan, A. Miller, W. Miller, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Platt, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, Walker, A. Washington, P. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Assault – First Responders

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from intentionally causing physical injury to another if the person knows or has reason to know that the other is a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, a rescue squad member, or any other first responder engaged in providing emergency medical care or rescue services; altering certain penalties for assaulting certain individuals; and generally relating to assault.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 499 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Cosmetologists – Licensing – Hair Braiders, Cosmetology Assistants, and Microdermabrasion

FOR the purpose of establishing a license endorsement to provide microdermabrasion services and a limited license to provide certain hair–braiding services and certain limited cosmetology services; repealing certain provisions relating to a limited license to provide hair services; establishing qualifications for a senior esthetician; requiring the State Board of Cosmetologists to adopt regulations to establish certain standards for use by the State Board of Education or the Maryland Higher Education Commission in approving applications for instruction in the provision of certain hair–braiding and microdermabrasion services at certain schools; establishing the scope of certain limited licenses and a certain license endorsement; establishing the qualifications of applicants for a limited license to provide hair–braiding services or limited cosmetology services; authorizing certain applicants who hold a certain license in another state or foreign country to qualify for a certain license under certain circumstances; establishing the qualifications of applicants for a license endorsement to provide microdermabrasion services; establishing the application requirements for a certain license endorsement; requiring the Board to issue a certain license with a certain endorsement under certain circumstances; requiring licensees to submit certain evidence of compliance with certain continuing education requirements as a condition of license renewal; requiring the Board to establish certain continuing education requirements; requiring a certain beauty salon that provides hair–braiding services to obtain a certain permit issued by the Board; prohibiting a person from providing hair–braiding services, limited cosmetology

services, or microdermabrasion services, or in certain locations; authorizing certain licensees to practice cosmetology and provide certain services in certain locations; requiring a certain licensee to be sponsored by a certain beauty salon in which the licensee is authorized to practice under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from tattooing another individual in a beauty salon; adding and altering certain defined terms; making stylistic and conforming changes; and generally relating to limited licenses and a license endorsement issued by the State Board of Cosmetologists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 5–101, 5–205, 5–301, 5–305, 5–306, 5–309, 5–310, 5–311, 5–501, and 5–605

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 5–305.1 and 5–608.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 500 – Delegate Haynes

AN ACT concerning

Sustainable Communities Tax Credit – Residential Units for Lower–Income Individuals

FOR the purpose of making certain residential rehabilitations ineligible for the Maryland Sustainable Communities Tax Credit unless the entity seeking the credit agrees to set aside a certain number of residential rental units as housing for households whose median income is below a certain percentage of the area median income; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a requirement that certain rehabilitations seeking the Maryland Sustainable Communities Tax Credit set aside a certain number of residential rental units for households with certain incomes.

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 5A–303(c)(6)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 501 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Campos, C. Howard, Proctor, Smith, Valderrama, Vallario, Waldstreicher, C. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Victims of Crime – Notification Regarding DNA Profile

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain law enforcement agency or unit, under certain circumstances, to give a certain victim or victim’s representative timely notice as to certain matters relating to a DNA profile of a certain alleged perpetrator or perpetrators; requiring the State Board of Victim Services to develop certain pamphlets to notify victims and victims’ representatives of how to request information regarding an unsolved case; defining certain terms; and generally relating to victims of crime.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–104 and 11–914
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–1002(b)(8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 502 – Delegates Kaiser, Frush, Lam, and Patterson

AN ACT concerning

State Department of Education – Financial Advisory Board – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Financial Advisory Board within the State Department of Education; providing for the purpose and membership of the Board; requiring the Board to review certain documents relating to certain maintenance of effort waiver requests; requiring the Board to take certain factors into account when making a certain recommendation; requiring the Board to prepare a certain analysis in plain English and make the certain analysis available to the public; requiring certain preliminary assessments of certain maintenance of effort requests to be developed in consultation with the Board; and generally relating to the establishment of the Financial Advisory Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education
Section 5–202(d)(1) and (8)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(d)(8)(iii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 5–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 503 – Delegates Dumais, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Barkley, B. Barnes, Barve, Branch, Campos, Carr, Clippinger, Cluster, Conaway, Cullison, Folden, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Glass, Gutierrez, Healey, Hettleman, Hixson, C. Howard, Jalisi, Jones, Kaiser, Kelly, Krebs, Lafferty, Luedtke, McComas, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Parrott, Pena–Melnik, Pendergrass, Platt, Rey, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, B. Wilson, C. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Rape Survivor Family Protection Act

FOR the purpose of excluding as a father of a child a man who has committed a certain sexual crime against the child’s mother for purposes of certain provisions relating to the paternity of a child in a guardianship or adoption proceeding under certain circumstances; requiring a court to consider a certain statement when making a certain finding; prohibiting a court from requiring publication of certain information under certain circumstances; requiring that a certain hearing be held within a certain period of time; authorizing a court to order a man to provide financial support to a child under certain circumstances; prohibiting a court from awarding custody of or visitation with a child to a parent who has committed a certain sexual crime against the other parent under certain circumstances; requiring a court to consider the safety and well–being of the child’s other parent or guardian in approving supervised visitation; and generally relating to adoption, guardianship, custody, and visitation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–306, 5–3A–06, 5–3B–05, and 9–101.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 504 – Delegate Impallaria

AN ACT concerning

Telephone Communications Consumer Protection Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from recording a certain telephone conversation with a consumer under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from discontinuing a telephone conversation with a consumer on a certain basis; making a violation of this Act an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to telephone recordings of conversations with consumers.

BY adding to
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–4101 through 14–4103 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 41.
Telephone Communications Consumer Protection Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 505 – Delegates Kramer, Atterbeary, Barkley, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, Kaiser, McComas, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Law Enforcement – K–9 Law Enforcement Officers Act

FOR the purpose of requiring certain State and local law enforcement agencies to reimburse individuals who take possession of dogs formerly used in law enforcement work for certain veterinary expenses up to a certain amount annually; authorizing certain State law enforcement agencies to accept public donations for the payment of certain veterinary expenses to be held in a separate account not subject to appropriation by the Governor; authorizing certain local law enforcement agencies to establish and maintain a fund to accept public donations for the payment of certain veterinary expenses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to dogs formerly used for law enforcement work.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–507

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 506 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)
and Delegates Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, and B. Robinson**

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Vehicle Laws – Traffic Safety

FOR the purpose of adding Baltimore City to the list of local authorities that under certain circumstances may impose certain weight and speed restrictions on vehicles passing over a bridge or culvert under the jurisdictions of the local authorities without the approval of the State Highway Administration; authorizing a Baltimore City special traffic enforcement officer to issue a citation for certain violations of the Maryland Vehicle Law; and generally relating to traffic safety in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 24–206(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 24–206(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City

Section 16–16C(e)

Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

(As enacted by Chapter 469 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003, as amended by Chapter 511 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

**House Bill 507 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)
and Delegates Carter, Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, and B. Robinson**

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Property Tax Credit – Supermarkets

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes certain construction and is located in or near a certain food desert; requiring the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to designate what constitutes a food desert for purposes of the tax credit; providing that the tax credit may not exceed a certain amount; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to provide, by law, for certain matters relating to the tax credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a personal property tax credit for certain supermarkets in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–304(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 508 – Delegates Glass, Aumann, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Fisher, Gutierrez, C. Howard, Impallaria, Kittleman, McConkey, McDonough, McMillan, Metzgar, Pena–Melnyk, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Saab, Simonaire, Smith, Sophocleus, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Gas and Electricity – Analog Meters – Purchase and Installation

FOR the purpose of requiring the Public Service Commission to authorize a certain customer of a gas company or an electric company to purchase and install a certain analog meter; requiring the meter to comply with certain standards; requiring a gas company or electric company to install the meter or allow certain persons to install the meter at the customer's request; providing that an analog meter may replace a different type of meter; prohibiting a gas company or an electric company from requiring a certain customer to install additional controls or perform or pay for certain additional tests; requiring a gas company or an electric company to replace only certain tested meters under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to refund certain testing fees under certain circumstances; and generally relating to gas service, electric service, and meters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–301 and 7–302

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 509 – Delegates McMillan, Beidle, Fisher, Frush, O’Donnell, and Stein

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Statute of Limitations – Administrative Penalties

FOR the purpose of establishing a statute of limitations for an action for administrative penalties for certain violations of certain laws relating to the environment; providing that this Act may not be construed as limiting certain authority of the Department of the Environment to issue administrative orders or seek injunctive relief for certain violations; and generally relating to laws relating to the environment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 1–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 510 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County – Education – School Bus – Doors That Lock

MC 27–15

FOR the purpose of providing that, in Montgomery County, the Montgomery County Board of Education may utilize a school bus with doors that lock to transport students in the county under certain circumstances; and generally relating to school bus locks in Montgomery County.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–809
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 511 – Delegate Holmes

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Residential Property – Ground Leases

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition for purposes of certain provisions of law prohibiting nonjudicial actions to take possession of property; repealing certain provisions of law providing that the establishment of a lien is the remedy for nonpayment of a ground rent on certain residential property; reorganizing and recodifying certain provisions of law relating to ground leases on certain residential property; authorizing a holder of a secured interest in certain property to apply to redeem a reversion under a ground lease under certain circumstances; altering the contents of a certain affidavit made by a certain director in the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development concerning abandoned or distressed property under certain circumstances; authorizing a ground lease holder to bring an action to reenter for nonpayment of ground rent only under certain circumstances; authorizing a holder of a secured interest in certain property to cure a default for nonpayment of ground rent under certain circumstances; requiring a ground lease holder to send certain notices to a leasehold tenant in a certain manner no less than a certain number of days before filing an action to reenter; authorizing a ground lease holder to be reimbursed for certain late fees, interest, and collection costs under certain circumstances; requiring a ground lease holder to send a copy of a certain notice to any holder of a secured interest in certain property under certain circumstances; requiring an action filed under certain provisions of this Act to be accompanied by certain documents; specifying the manner in which service of process must be made for an action filed under certain provisions of this Act; requiring a holder of a secured interest in certain property to be made a party to an action filed under certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; authorizing a leasehold tenant to cure a default and commence a proceeding to obtain relief from a judgment for possession under certain circumstances; prohibiting a ground lease holder or a plaintiff from receiving a writ of possession or reimbursement for certain costs or expenses unless certain notice requirements are met; prohibiting a ground lease holder from receiving reimbursement for certain costs or expenses under certain circumstances; altering the contents of certain notices required to be included in certain ground rent bills and contracts for the sale of certain residential property subject to a ground lease; repealing certain provisions of law made obsolete by this Act; making stylistic changes; defining certain terms; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to develop and post a certain notice on the Department's Web site; clarifying that certain prior provisions of law are repealed; and generally relating to ground leases on residential property.

BY repealing

Article – Real Property

Section 8–402.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 7–113, 8–110, 8–110.1, 8–111.1, 8–111.2, 8–707, 14–116, 14–116.1,
14–116.2, 14–117(a), and 14–129

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Real Property

Section 8–801, 8–802, and 8–807 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Residential
Ground Leases”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 14–108.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY renumbering

Article – Real Property

Section 14–117(b) through (l), respectively
to be Section 14–117(a) through (k), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 512 – Delegates K. Young, Hill, and Reznik

AN ACT concerning

Office of Cemetery Oversight – Preneed Burial Contracts – Report Submission Requirement

FOR the purpose of altering the time period within which a certain seller of preneed goods or preneed services is required to submit a certain report regarding preneed burial contracts and preneed trust accounts to the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight; and generally relating to preneed burial contracts and the Office of Cemetery Oversight.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 5–710(a) and (b)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–710(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 513 – Delegates Aumann, Afzali, Barkley, Beitzel, Buckel, Hornberger, Lafferty, Metzgar, Miele, Szeliga, and West

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Forest Harvesting – Public Notice of Process and Licensees

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to maintain and make available to the public on its Web site in a certain manner a certain list of and contact information for all licensed foresters and licensed forest product operators in the State and the forest harvest application process and contact information for each county in the State; and generally relating to public notice of the process and licensees for forest harvest applications.

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 514 – Delegates Stein, B. Barnes, Frush, Healey, Hettleman, Morhaim, and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Commission on Climate Change

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Climate Change in the Department of the Environment to advise the Governor and General Assembly on ways to mitigate the causes of, prepare for, and adapt to the consequences of climate change; establishing the membership of the Commission; requiring certain members to serve as chair and vice chair of the Commission; providing for the terms of a member of the Commission; authorizing the Governor to remove a member of the Commission under certain circumstances; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing a member to be reimbursed for certain expenses; requiring the Commission to establish certain working groups;

requiring the Chair of the Commission to appoint working group members who represent certain public and private interests; requiring the Commission to prioritize certain working group actions; requiring the Commission, on or before a certain date each year, to report to the Governor and General Assembly; requiring each State agency to complete a certain review in accordance with certain requirements; requiring each State agency to identify and recommend certain changes to certain programs under certain circumstances; requiring certain State agencies to report annually to the Governor and General Assembly on the status of certain programs; requiring the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science to establish and update certain sea level rise projections; requiring the sea level rise projections to include certain maps and to be made publicly available on the Internet; requiring the Commission to be convened and the working group members to be appointed on or before a certain date; requiring each working group to meet and establish a work plan on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Maryland Commission on Climate Change.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 2–1301 through 2–1306 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13. Maryland Commission on Climate Change”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 515 – Allegany County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Class B–MB (Micro–Brewery/Restaurant) License

FOR the purpose of creating in Allegany County a Class B–MB (micro–brewery/restaurant) license; specifying that the Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class B–MB license to a holder of a Class 7 manufacturer’s license; providing that the Class B–MB license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine by the drink or by the bottle and liquor by the drink only for consumption on the licensed premises, including in certain areas; providing that the Class B–MB license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine by the bottle for off–premises consumption; specifying certain days and hours of sale for the Class B–MB license; specifying a certain annual fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–201(a)(1) and (b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–201(b–1)(9)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 516 – Delegates Glass, Aumann, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Fisher, Gutierrez, Hayes, C. Howard, Impallaria, Kittleman, McConkey, McDonough, McMillan, Metzgar, Otto, Parrott, Pena–Melnik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Saab, Simonaire, Smith, Sophocleus, Vallario, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Gas and Electricity – Smart Meters – Customer Rights and Required Reports

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain utility company to give certain written notice to certain customers prior to deploying smart meters throughout all or a portion of the utility company’s service territory; specifying the contents of a certain notice; prohibiting a utility company from imposing certain additional fees or charges on certain customers; requiring the Public Service Commission to report on certain matters to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Commission jointly to report on certain matters to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; specifying the contents of certain reports; requiring the Commission, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to select and retain an independent expert to prepare a certain report; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gas and electricity service and smart meters.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–302.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 517 – Delegates McIntosh, Anderson, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – League for People With Disabilities Building Expansion

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$145,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The League for People with Disabilities, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 518 – Delegates Carr, Cassilly, Fraser–Hidalgo, Lam, A. Miller, and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Public Ethics – Former Legislators – Lobbying

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a former member of the General Assembly from assisting or representing another party for compensation in a matter that is the subject of legislative action until the later of the conclusion of the next regular session that begins after the member leaves office or 6 months after the date that the campaign finance entity of the member makes a transfer to another campaign committee; and generally relating to public ethics, former legislators, and lobbying.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 5–504(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 519 – Delegates Hayes, Conaway, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Economic Empowerment
Community Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$175,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Economic Empowerment Coalition, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 520 – Delegates Hayes, Conaway, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Garrett–Jacobs Mansion Safety and Access Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Garrett–Jacobs Mansion Endowment Fund, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 521 – Delegate Kramer

AN ACT concerning

Corporations and Real Estate Investment Trusts – Directors and Trustees – Duties and Immunity From Liability

FOR the purpose of clarifying the duties of a director of a corporation and the manner in which a director must act; clarifying that a director who acts in accordance with a certain provision of law shall have certain immunity from liability; clarifying that a director of a corporation is not required to act solely because of the effect the act may have on, or the amount or type of consideration offered or paid to stockholders in, certain transactions involving the corporation; clarifying that an act of a director of a corporation relating to or affecting certain transactions involving the corporation may not be subject to a certain duty or scrutiny; repealing a limitation on the enforcement of a duty of a director; clarifying that certain provisions of law are the sole source of duties of a director of a corporation to the corporation or its stockholders, and apply to any act of a director; clarifying the circumstances under which a director of a corporation is immune from certain liability; making certain provisions of law relating to certain duties and immunity from liability of a director of a corporation applicable to a trustee of a real estate investment trust; defining a certain term; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; making certain conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to directors of a corporation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 2–401(a), 2–405.1, and 8–601.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 522 – Delegate Kramer

AN ACT concerning

Corporations – Maryland General Corporation Law – Miscellaneous Provisions

FOR the purpose of clarifying the rights of a subscriber for shares of stock of a corporation; providing that an individual, whether or not then a director, may assent to an action by a consent that will be effective at a future time under certain circumstances; providing that a person, whether or not then a stockholder, may assent to an action by a consent that will be effective at a future time under certain circumstances; providing that certain consents shall be deemed to have been given at the effective time under certain circumstances; providing that certain consents are revocable before the effective time unless otherwise provided in the consents; altering the circumstances under which certain mergers may be approved by the board of directors of a corporation, without a meeting of the stockholders; defining certain terms; making certain conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to the Maryland General Corporation Law.

BY adding to
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 2–202(d) and 2–408(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 2–408(d), 2–505(f), and 3–106.1(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 523 – Delegate Beitzel

AN ACT concerning

Garrett County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Multiple Event Class C Licenses

FOR the purpose of requiring in Garrett County that a certain organization for which a special multiple event Class C license is issued ensure that at least one individual who is certified by an approved alcohol awareness program is on the premises when alcoholic beverages may be sold; authorizing a holder of a special multiple event Class C license to store certain alcoholic beverages between certain events under certain circumstances; requiring the license holder to keep certain records in a certain manner; authorizing certain personnel of the Comptroller's Office and the Board of License Commissioners of Garrett County to inspect certain records in a certain manner; providing that a license holder who violates this Act is subject to certain fines and denial of certain licenses; making a technical change; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 7–101(p)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 524 – Delegates McMillan, Hornberger, and O'Donnell

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Single Registration Plate – Class L (Historic) Vehicles and Class N (Street Rod) Vehicles

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, when it registers a Class L (historic) vehicle or Class N (street rod) vehicle, to issue a single registration plate for the vehicle; making conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to vehicle registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–410(a) and 13–936.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 525 – Allegany County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Special Beer Festival License

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to issue a special beer festival license for certain purposes; authorizing the holder of the license to display and sell beer for consumption on or off certain premises on certain days and hours subject to certain limitations; requiring the holder to hold a certain other license; providing for the license fee; authorizing the Board to approve a certain number of weekends each year for the festival; requiring the Board to approve certain premises for the festival; prohibiting a holder from selling certain beverages under certain circumstances; providing that the license does not prohibit the license holder from holding certain other licenses; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to beer festivals in Allegany County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–810

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 526 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Brewing Company Off-Site Permit and Beer Festival Permit

FOR the purpose of requiring the Office of the Comptroller to collect a fee for a beer festival permit; authorizing the Comptroller to issue a brewing company off-site permit to certain persons who meet certain requirements; establishing a beer festival permit to be issued by the Comptroller; authorizing the Comptroller to issue a beer festival permit to certain persons who meet certain requirements, provided that the beer festival will occur over a certain period of time; authorizing a beer festival permit holder to purchase beer at wholesale to provide and sell beer for certain purposes under certain circumstances; requiring a beer festival permit holder to provide space at the beer festival for holders of brewing company off-site permits; authorizing a brewing company off-site permit holder to provide and sell beer in the same manner as a beer festival permit holder under certain circumstances; authorizing a beer festival permit holder to provide or sell at the beer festival only certain alcoholic beverages; requiring a beer festival permit holder to have certain agents present during a certain event; requiring an applicant for a beer festival permit to submit a certain application form provided by the Comptroller within a certain period of time before the proposed event and pay a certain fee to obtain a permit; specifying the contents of an application for a beer festival permit; requiring a beer festival permit holder to provide the Comptroller with a list of brewing company off-site permit

holders that will attend a certain beer festival within a certain period of time before the event; making a technical change; and generally relating to the brewing company off-site permits and beer festival permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–101(b) and 2–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 527 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Residency Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering certain residency requirements for certain business applicants for alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County; altering a requirement that a certain applicant for certain alcoholic beverages licenses own a certain percentage of a certain business, subject to a certain exception; making certain stylistic and conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–101(a), (b), (c), and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 528 – Delegates Lierman, Barkley, Conaway, Glenn, McCray, Morales, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Wage Records, Wages, and Paydays – Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring employers to keep certain wage records for each pay period for a certain period; expanding the types of wage records that employers are required to keep for each pay period; altering a certain provision of law to require that employers give employees a certain written notice within a certain period; expanding the information that employers are required to give to employees within a certain time of hiring and for each pay period; requiring employers to provide employees with an explanation of how certain wages were calculated under certain circumstances; requiring a certain notice to be provided in English and, if different, in the employee's primary language; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to create a certain model notice in English, Spanish, and any other language the Commissioner determines is needed for certain purposes; authorizing an employee to bring an action against an employer for certain damages under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner, upon written request of an employee, to take assignment of certain claims, request that the Attorney General bring a certain action under certain circumstances, and consolidate certain claims; and generally relating to employer requirements concerning wage records, wages, and paydays.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–424, 3–427, 3–504, and 3–507.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 529 – Delegate Clippinger

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Identity Fraud – Name of the Individual

FOR the purpose of repealing, for purposes of a certain provision of law prohibiting a person from knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent, possessing, obtaining, or helping another to possess or obtain personal identifying information for certain purposes, a certain limitation that a certain benefit, credit, good, service, thing of value, health information, or health care be obtained or accessed in the name of an individual; and generally relating to identity fraud.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 8–301(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 530 – Delegates Anderson, Vallario, Anderton, Folden, and Kittleman

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Public Defender – Representation at Bail Hearing – Provisional

FOR the purpose of establishing that the representation provided by the Office of the Public Defender to an indigent individual at a bail hearing before a District Court or circuit court judge shall be limited solely to the bail hearing and shall terminate automatically at the conclusion of the hearing; establishing a certain exception; and generally relating to representation by the Office of the Public Defender.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 16–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 531 – Delegate Kramer

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act; authorizing certain fiduciaries to access certain digital assets under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain fiduciary to take certain actions concerning certain digital assets under certain circumstances; providing that, for certain purposes, a fiduciary has the lawful consent of a certain account holder for the custodian to divulge certain content of a certain electronic communication to the fiduciary; providing that, under certain circumstances, a fiduciary is, for the purpose of certain computer-related laws, an authorized user; providing that, except under certain circumstances, a provision in a certain terms-of-service agreement limiting certain access is void as against the strong public policy of the State and is not violated by a fiduciary's access under this Act; providing that certain choice-of-law provisions in a terms-of-service agreement are unenforceable under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain circumstances, a certain fiduciary may access certain tangible personal property and is an authorized user for the purpose of certain computer-related laws; requiring a custodian to comply with certain requests by a fiduciary under certain circumstances; requiring certain requests by

certain fiduciaries to be accompanied by certain documents; requiring a custodian to comply with a request within a certain time period; authorizing a fiduciary to apply for a certain court order under certain circumstances; providing that a custodian and its agents are immune from liability for an act or omission done in good faith compliance with this Act; requiring consideration to be given to the need to promote certain uniformity of the law; providing that this Act modifies, limits, or supersedes certain federal law in a certain manner; providing for the scope and application of this Act; altering certain provisions in certain statutory forms for a power of attorney relating to authority to access and take control of certain digital assets in accordance with this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 15–601 through 15–613 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 17–202 and 17–203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 532 – Delegates Anderson, Aumann, Clippinger, Glenn, Kramer, and Krebs

AN ACT concerning

Drunk and Drugged Driving – Death or Life-Threatening Injury – Mandatory Tests

FOR the purpose of requiring a police officer to direct a person to submit to certain tests if the person is involved in a motor vehicle accident that results in the death of, or a life-threatening injury to, another person and the police officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person has been driving or attempting to drive in violation of certain alcohol- or drug-related driving offenses; and generally relating to a requirement that a police officer direct a person to submit to certain tests if the person is involved in a motor vehicle accident that results in a death or life-threatening injury under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 16–205.1(a)(1)(i) and (iii)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–205.1(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 533 – Delegates Sydnor, Anderson, Bromwell, Brooks, Cluster, Haynes, Jalisi, Lam, McCray, Moon, Morales, Smith, Stein, Vallario, A. Washington, C. Wilson, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Wiretapping and Electronic Surveillance – Body–Worn Digital Recording Device and Electronic Control Device – Exception

FOR the purpose of establishing that it is lawful under a certain provision of law for a law enforcement officer to intercept a certain oral communication with a certain device under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the interception of oral communications.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–402(c)(11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 534 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Coverage of Brand Name Prescription Drugs for Mental Health Treatment

FOR the purpose of requiring certain health insurance entities to establish and implement a certain procedure that provides for coverage of certain prescription drugs under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain health insurance entities from imposing certain cost–sharing requirements on coverage for certain brand name prescription drugs that are less favorable to a member than the cost–sharing requirements that apply to coverage for certain equivalent generic prescription drugs; prohibiting certain health insurance entities from requiring a member to pay a certain difference

in cost between certain prescription drugs under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health insurance coverage of brand name prescription drugs for mental health treatment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–831
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 535 – Delegates Turner, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Barkley, Carr, Conaway, Dumais, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gilchrist, Glass, Glenn, Haynes, Hill, Hixson, Impallaria, Jackson, Kaiser, Kelly, Kramer, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McCray, A. Miller, O’Donnell, Pendergrass, Proctor, Reznik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Stein, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

**Blind or Visually Impaired Children – Individualized Education Programs –
Orientation and Mobility Instruction**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain individualized education programs for certain blind or visually impaired children to include certain orientation and mobility instruction under certain circumstances; requiring certain orientation and mobility evaluations to be provided under certain circumstances; requiring a certain orientation and mobility evaluation to contain certain content; requiring certain local school systems to provide certain parents and guardians with a certain verbal and written notice at a certain time; requiring certain orientation and mobility instruction to be provided by a certain qualified individual; requiring the State Department of Education to adopt certain regulations and provide certain guidelines on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to orientation and mobility instruction in individualized education programs for blind or visually impaired children.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–408
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 536 – Delegates McIntosh, Frush, and Gaines

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Enhanced Agricultural Management
Equipment**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “enhanced agricultural management equipment” as it relates to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax to allow the subtraction if a certain nutrient management plan is prepared by an individual with a certain certification instead of a certain license; altering the definition of “enhanced agricultural management equipment” to include a certain manure loading or hauling equipment and commercial fertilizer application equipment; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification for certain agricultural management equipment.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(a) and 10–308(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 537 – Delegates Anderson, Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

**Public Service Commission – Taxicab Services – Contract With Baltimore City
Board of School Commissioners**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a taxicab business from charging more than a certain administrative rate when the taxicab business enters into a contract with the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to transport a passenger who is a student; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to rates for taxicab services in Baltimore City.

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 10–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 538 – Delegates Stein, Cassilly, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study a Program for Interest-Free Loans to STEM College Students in Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study a Program for Interest-Free Loans to STEM College Students in Maryland; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study a Program for Interest-Free Loans to STEM College Students in Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 539 – Delegate Carr

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Evaluation of Urban Highways – Classifications and Speed Limits

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to evaluate the classifications of and speed limits for certain urban State highways; requiring the Administration to review development activity along certain State highways for classification purposes and assess each highway segment for which the classification is updated to determine if the speed limit should be altered; requiring the Administration to make available a written justification for any deviation determined under this Act from a certain maximum speed limit; requiring the Administration to determine certain appropriate speed limits for certain highway segments under certain standards, unless the Administration makes available a written justification for any deviation from those standards; requiring the Administration to adopt certain regulations and to complete the evaluation on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a State Highway Administration evaluation of urban highway classifications and speed limits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21-101(f), (s), and (y)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–801.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 540 – Delegate Mautz

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Regulation of Milk Products – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering certain definitions related to the regulation of milk products; repealing the limitation on the number of milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permits the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene may issue; repealing the requirement that an applicant for a milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permit operate a dairy farm with no more than a certain number of cows or goats in the herd; repealing the limit on the number of times a milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permit may be renewed; making conforming changes; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the regulation of milk products.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–401, 21–416.1, and 21–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 541 – Delegates Barkley, Tarlau, Angel, Atterbeary, Aumann, Barron, Brooks, Carr, Chang, Clippinger, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Glenn, C. Howard, Impallaria, Jackson, Jalisi, Korman, Kramer, McCray, A. Miller, Moon, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, S. Robinson, Smith, Sophocleus, Stein, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Utility Companies – Removal of Facility Equipment From Utility Poles

FOR the purpose of requiring certain electric companies and telephone companies to coordinate with certain entities the timing of the removal of certain facility equipment so that certain facility equipment and certain poles are removed within a certain period of time; authorizing the Public Service Commission to adopt certain regulations or issue certain orders; requiring the Commission to require certain electric companies and telephone companies to file certain information with the Commission; requiring the Commission to take certain corrective action after a certain consideration; authorizing the Commission to impose a certain civil penalty in addition to certain other penalties; requiring the Commission to determine the amount of any civil penalty after consideration of certain factors; requiring a certain civil penalty to be paid into the General Fund; prohibiting certain electric companies and telephone companies from recovering the cost of a certain civil penalty from ratepayers; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the removal of facility equipment from poles owned by utility companies.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–215 and 8–109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 542 – Delegates O’Donnell and Jackson

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court for Calvert County – Fees for Appearance of Counsel

FOR the purpose of altering certain appearance of counsel fees collected or charged by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Calvert County; altering the purposes for which certain appearance fees deposited into the Calvert County Law Library Fund may be used; and generally relating to certain appearance of counsel fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 7–204(a)(1) and (f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 7–204(a)(7)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 543 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)
and Delegates Conaway, Glenn, and B. Robinson**

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Housing Authority of Baltimore City – Subsidiary Entities

FOR the purpose of providing that a not-for-profit entity shall be deemed controlled by the Housing Authority of Baltimore City under certain circumstances; altering the applicability of certain tax exemption provisions for property of a subsidiary entity of a Baltimore Housing Authority entity; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to the Housing Authority of Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 12-104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 12-502(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 544 – Calvert County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Bottle Clubs

FOR the purpose of defining a bottle club in Calvert County to mean an establishment that is a certain type of restaurant or nightclub; prohibiting a bottle club in the county from giving, serving, dispensing, keeping, or allowing to be consumed on its premises, or on premises under its control or possession, any alcoholic beverages; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 20-103.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 545 – Delegates Korman, Frick, and Kelly

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Highway Work Permittees – Notice of Sidewalk Closure

FOR the purpose of requiring a person who obtains a certain permit from the State Highway Administration for work that will cause a sidewalk to be closed or who does the work under the permit to provide written notice of any sidewalk closure associated with the work, in a certain manner, to affected business and property owners and post a notice at the work site providing certain information under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the closure of sidewalks due to highway-related construction or maintenance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–646
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 546 – Delegate Lierman

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transit Administration Oversight and Planning Board

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Transit Administration Oversight and Planning Board; providing for the membership, term of office, powers, duties, and staffing of the Board; providing that a member of the Board may not receive compensation, but is entitled to reimbursement for certain expenses; requiring the Board to submit an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly; requiring the Board to develop and adopt a certain strategic plan and to review and update the strategic plan every 5 years; requiring the Board to designate one of its members to oversee and report on certain citizens' advisory councils; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Maryland Transit Administration Oversight and Planning Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 7–203 and 7–204(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation
Section 7–204(q) and 7–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 547 – Delegates Dumais, Flanagan, Hammen, Krebs, McComas, and Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Medical Liability Efficiency Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law relating to the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office; prohibiting a person from bringing an action against a health care provider for a certain medical injury unless the person provides to the health care provider a certain notice, medical records, and releases; terminating the Health Claims Arbitration Fund; altering the content of certain certificates of a qualified expert; providing that a health care provider who attests in certain certificates or who testifies in relation to a proceeding before a court concerning certain matters shall devote at least a certain percentage of the expert's professional activities to activities that directly involve patient care; requiring the clerk of a court to forward to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene copies of certain certificates of a qualified expert; requiring the Department to forward to the State Board of Physicians copies of certain certificates of a qualified expert; requiring the clerk of a court to forward a copy of a final disposition of a certain case to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene rather than the Director of the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office; requiring the Department to forward to the State Board of Physicians a copy of a final disposition of a certain case; providing that, if a judgment is not more favorable to the adverse party than a certain offer, the adverse party shall pay certain expert witness fees; repealing a certain exception to the provision of law that a certain expression of regret or apology made by a health care provider is inadmissible for certain purposes in certain actions; repealing certain obsolete provisions; making certain conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an action against a health care provider for a certain medical injury.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–01, 3–2A–02, 3–2A–04, 3–2A–06, 3–2A–06C, 3–2A–06D, 3–2A–08,
3–2A–08A, 3–2A–09, 3–2A–10, and 10–920
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–02
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–03, 3–2A–03A, 3–2A–05, 3–2A–06A, 3–2A–06B, and 3–2A–07
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 548 – Delegates Kramer, Barkley, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, and Morales

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Judges – Election

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; altering the method of filling vacancies in the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for retention elections following an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for a transitional period under which the terms of certain amendments are to become effective; making stylistic changes; generally relating to the selection, election, appointment, and tenure for judges of the circuit courts; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution

Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 3, 5, 5A, and 11

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution

Article XVIII – Provisions of Limited Duration
Section 6

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 549 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Proctor, Smith, Valderrama, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Facility Payouts – Intercepts for Restitution Payments

FOR the purpose of requiring certain video lottery operation licensees to provide certain notices to certain obligors who win certain prizes and who owe restitution; requiring certain video lottery operation licensees to make certain payments, withhold certain amounts, honor certain requests in a certain manner, and transfer certain amounts under certain circumstances; authorizing certain obligors to appeal certain proposed transfers; requiring the Central Collection Unit to notify the video lottery operation licensee on the distribution of certain prizes; prohibiting a video lottery operation licensee from being held liable for certain acts or omissions; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to video lottery facility payouts and restitution payments.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–616(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–616(b) and 11–618
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 550 – Delegates McMillan, Pena–Melnyk, and Reznik

AN ACT concerning

State Aid – Business Transparency and Financial Disclosure Act

FOR the purpose of requiring certain corporations that receive certain State subsidies of at least a certain amount to file a certain annual disclosure report with the granting body that provides the subsidy; requiring the disclosure report to contain certain information; requiring the disclosure report to be provided on or before a certain date; requiring a granting body to publish the disclosure report on the granting body's Web site on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the filing of certain disclosure reports.

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 551 – Delegates Lierman, Angel, Atterbeary, Brooks, Carr, Cassilly, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Hayes, Hettleman, Korman, Lafferty, Lam, Luedtke, McIntosh, Moon, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Community Cleanup and Greening Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a store from distributing plastic disposable carryout bags to a customer at the point of sale; requiring a store to charge and collect a certain fee for each paper disposable carryout bag the store provides to a customer; authorizing a store to retain a certain amount of a certain fee under certain circumstances; prohibiting a store from advertising or stating certain information under certain circumstances; requiring a store to include certain information on certain receipts; providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to a certain amount of money retained by a store under certain circumstances; requiring the operator of a store to remit a certain amount of money to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to retain a certain amount of money for a certain purpose; requiring the Comptroller to distribute a certain amount of money to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation for a certain purpose and to distribute a certain remaining amount of money to the counties proportional to the county's population; requiring a county that receives a certain distribution of money to use the money only for certain purposes; establishing a certain maximum penalty for a violation of this Act; providing that a distribution of one or more plastic disposable carryout bags at a single point of sale is a single violation; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to carryout bags and community cleanup and greening efforts.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 19–104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation and the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 552 – Delegates Pendergrass and Hammen

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Medical Stop–Loss Insurance – Small Employers

FOR the purpose of altering, with a certain exception, certain attachment points above which a medical stop-loss insurer assumes certain liability for losses incurred by an insured; applying the altered attachment points to renewal of a policy or contract of medical stop-loss insurance; prohibiting a medical stop-loss insurer, for a certain policy or contract, from taking certain actions; requiring a medical stop-loss insurer, for a certain policy or contract, to guarantee certain rates, pay certain claims within a certain period, and disclose certain information to a small employer; requiring a medical stop-loss insurer, on or before a certain date each year, to file a certain actuarial certification with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; making a certain conforming change; and generally relating to medical stop-loss insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–129
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 553 – Delegates Morhaim, Hammen, Kipke, Oaks, Szeliga, Arentz, Bromwell, Carey, Cluster, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Healey, Hill, Jameson, Kelly, Lam, McComas, Reznik, B. Robinson, Stein, B. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Maryland No-Fault Injured Baby Fund

FOR the purpose of declaring certain findings and the intent of the General Assembly; establishing a system for adjudication of a claim involving a birth-related neurological injury; excluding certain rights and remedies of a claimant and certain other persons; providing for certain procedures; providing for certain benefits and compensation of a claimant under this Act; establishing the Maryland No-Fault Injured Baby Fund; providing for the governance, administration, and purposes of the Fund; providing for certain premiums to be used to finance and administer the Fund; providing for certain credits for certain medical liability coverage for the obstetrical practice or services of certain physicians and hospitals; providing for certain patient safety initiatives; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to establishment of a system of adjudication and compensation of a claimant for a birth-related neurological injury through the Maryland No-Fault Injured Baby Fund.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2D–01 through 3–2D–08 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2D.
Maryland No-Fault Injured Baby Fund Claims”
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–1601 through 20–1603 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16. Birth Injury Prevention”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 32–101 through 32–304 to be under the new title “Title 32. Maryland No–Fault Injured Baby Fund”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 554 – Delegate Beitzel

AN ACT concerning

Nonresident Senior Hunting License – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing a nonresident senior hunting license; authorizing a nonresident who owns a certain amount of land in the State to purchase the license beginning in the calendar year in which the nonresident attains a certain age; establishing a certain fee for the license; and generally relating to the establishment of a nonresident senior hunting license.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–301(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 555 – Delegate Kipke

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Semipermanent Food Service Facilities – Wastewater Disposal

FOR the purpose of altering the scope of certain provisions of law that establish certain requirements for the disposal of wastewater by an operator of a semipermanent food service facility that operates in Anne Arundel County; and generally relating to semipermanent food service facilities operating in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–301(a) and (j–2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–312.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 556 – Delegate Pendergrass

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Environmental Health Specialists – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering the frequency with which certain officers of the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists must be elected; requiring the Board to appoint an executive director; establishing the duties of the executive director; altering certain qualifications for a certain license; altering certain requirements for applying for a certain license; altering certain education requirements for qualification to take a certain examination; repealing a requirement that certain examination papers identify the applicant only by a certain number; repealing a requirement that certain examination papers be filed with the Board secretary and kept for a certain number of years; repealing a certain provision of law prohibiting consumer members of the Board from participating in certain activities related to certain examinations; requiring a certain licensee to notify the Board of any changes in the licensee's address within a certain period of time; making technical corrections; and generally relating to the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 21–203, 21–204, 21–304, 21–306, and 21–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing
Article – Health Occupations

Section 21–302 and 21–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 21–302 and 21–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 557 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Carr, Glenn, B. Robinson, and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Junk Dealers and Scrap Metal Processors – Wheeled Devices and Metal Piping

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a junk dealer or scrap metal processor from purchasing from an individual a shopping cart, flatbed cart, similar wheeled device, or certain metal piping under certain circumstances; providing for certain penalties; authorizing the suspension or revocation of the license of a junk dealer or scrap metal processor under certain circumstances; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to junk dealers and scrap metal processors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation
Section 17–1011
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 558 – Delegate Clippinger

AN ACT concerning

Financial Institutions – Depository Institutions – Savings Promotion Raffles

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which certain depository institutions may conduct a savings promotion raffle; repealing a requirement that a depository institution that offers a savings promotion raffle must post in certain locations and disclose in certain materials a certain statement describing the terms and conditions of the savings promotion raffle; repealing a requirement that a savings promotion raffle conducted by a banking institution must be approved by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation; repealing certain provisions of law relating to savings

promotion raffles conducted by State-chartered credit unions made unnecessary by certain provisions of this Act; altering certain definitions; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to savings promotion raffles conducted by depository institutions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 13–305(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–106(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 1–101(a) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 1–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 6–716
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 559 – Delegates Buckel, Adams, Beitzel, Fisher, Flanagan, Glass, Hornberger, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McKay, Metzgar, Otto, Parrott, Rey, Shoemaker, Szeliga, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

University System of Maryland – Law School Clinics – Prohibited Activities

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the law clinic of a law school at a constituent institution of the University System of Maryland from participating in certain types of litigation;

and generally relating to the activities of law clinics at the University System of Maryland.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 13–704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 560 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Brewery License – On–Premises Consumption

FOR the purpose of altering the total amount of beer that a brewery licensee may sell each year for on–premises consumption; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 2–206(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 2–206(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 561 – Delegate Krebs

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Member Vacancies

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to appoint each member of the Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors from a list of names submitted to the Governor by certain entities; requiring a certain list of names to the Governor; requiring the Board to provide notice of a member vacancy to certain persons; requiring the Board to develop guidelines for the solicitation of nominations and balloting process that to the extent practicable will result in a certain Board composition reflecting certain

diversity of the State; clarifying that the manner in which a health occupations board is required to give notice of a board vacancy is subject to a certain exception; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors and member vacancies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–215 and 7–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 562 – Delegates Kramer, Afzali, Barkley, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, Ghrist, Glass, McComas, and W. Miller

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance – Ambulance Service Providers – Direct Reimbursement –
Repeal of Termination Date**

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law relating to direct reimbursement by health insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations for transportation by ambulance; and generally relating to direct reimbursement of ambulance service providers under health insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–138
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 425 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 4

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 426 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 4

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 563 – Delegates Buckel, Barkley, Beitzel, Frick, Glass, Glenn, Haynes, Hornberger, Jackson, McKay, Metzgar, Shoemaker, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation – Heart Disease and Hypertension Presumption – State Correctional Officers

FOR the purpose of extending the presumption of compensability under the workers' compensation law to include, subject to certain conditions, State correctional officers who suffer from heart disease or hypertension resulting in partial or total disability or death; requiring State correctional officers to submit certain medical disclosures to a certain official; providing that, subject to a certain limitation, workers' compensation benefits received under this Act are in addition to certain retirement benefits; altering the definition of "public safety employee" to include State correctional officers for the purposes of determining certain compensation; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to compensability of State correctional officers under the workers' compensation law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–503(b) and (e) and 9–628(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–628(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 564 – Delegates Kelly, Barkley, Carr, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Frick, Frush, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hettleman, Hill, Korman, Lam, Morales, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Valderrama, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Limits on Use of Leave for Birth, Adoption, Foster Placement, or Care of Child

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain units of State government from limiting, to less than a certain number of days the aggregate number of days of accrued sick leave that certain employees may use, without certification of illness or disability, for certain purposes; prohibiting certain units of State government from limiting, to a certain number of weeks, the aggregate number of weeks of family and medical leave that certain employees may use during a certain time period for a certain purpose; prohibiting regulations adopted by the Secretary of Budget and Management from limiting, to a certain number of weeks, the aggregate number of weeks of family and medical leave that two employees who are married to one another may use during a

certain time period for certain purposes; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to sick leave and family and medical leave for State employees.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 2–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 9–505 and 9–1001
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 565 – Delegates Bromwell and Kipke

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Surplus Lines – Disability Insurance

FOR the purpose of authorizing the use of surplus lines insurance for certain disability insurance coverage under certain circumstances; providing for the application of certain provisions to certain disability insurance; providing that the procurement of certain disability insurance through surplus lines insurance is subject to certain requirements; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to surplus lines insurance and disability insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance
Section 3–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to,

Article – Insurance
Section 3–306.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 566 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

**Administrative Procedure Act – Department of Health and Mental Hygiene –
Emergency Exception**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to order a licensee that provides services to individuals with developmental disabilities to remedy immediately a situation requiring emergency action instead of ordering the suspension of the license; and generally relating to the Administrative Procedure Act and emergency actions by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene concerning licensees that provide services to individuals with developmental disabilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 10–226(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

**House Bill 567 – Delegates Kramer, Afzali, Barkley, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo,
Frick, Glass, Kaiser, Luedtke, McComas, Morales, and Valderrama**

AN ACT concerning

**Crimes Relating to Animals – Failure to Offer Dogs and Cats Used in Research
Facilities for Adoption – Penalties**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain research facilities using dogs and cats for certain scientific research purposes to take certain steps to provide for the adoption of a dog or cat under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; requiring the Attorney General to investigate certain violations; authorizing the Attorney General to prosecute certain violations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to dogs and cats used in research facilities.

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–626
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 568 – Delegates Davis, Aumann, Barkley, Barve, Brooks, Holmes,
S. Howard, Kramer, Valderrama, Vaughn, and C. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

**Commercial Law – Consumer Protection – Motor Vehicle Manufacturers,
Distributors, and Factory Branches**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from committing certain acts relating to motor vehicle pricing; requiring a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch to ensure that any advertisement it directs to consumers relating to rebate and sales incentive claims meets certain requirements; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from retaliating against certain persons because of the enactment of legislation that regulates the franchise relationship; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from sanctioning or denying benefits to a dealer because of certain speech used by the dealer; limiting the amount that a manufacturer may charge a dealer for a sales incentive the dealer gives to a consumer under certain circumstances; providing that a violation of this Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and is subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to consumer protection and motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–4101 through 14–4107 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 41. Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

House Bill 46 – Delegates Jones and A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight – Revisions

STATUS OF BILL: BILL ON 2ND READING. FAVORABLE REPORT ADOPTED.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

JOINT SESSION

Delegates Bromwell and Atterbeary escorted the Senate into the House Chamber.

President Miller called for the Senate roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 100A)

Speaker Busch called for the House roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See House Roll Call No. 55)

A majority of both the House and the Senate being present, Speaker Busch declared both bodies in Joint Session.

Senators Pugh and Jennings and Delegates Smith, Hill and Saab escorted the Chief Executive, Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., into the House Chamber.

Senators Raskin and Edwards and Delegates Barron, B. Wilson and Dumais escorted the Chief Judge, Mary Ellen Barbera, to the Speaker's Rostrum.

Speaker Busch presented Chief Judge Mary Ellen Barbera of the Court of Appeals.

The Chief Judge addressed the General Assembly.

STATE OF THE JUDICIARY ADDRESS

REMARKS OF CHIEF JUDGE MARY ELLEN BARBERA

(See Exhibit F of Appendix II)

Senators Raskin and Edwards and Delegates Barron, B. Wilson and Dumais escorted the Chief Judge from the Chamber.

Senators Pugh and Jennings and Delegates Smith, Hill and Saab escorted the Chief Executive from the Chamber.

Senator McFadden moved the Senate be adjourned.

The motion was adopted.

The Senate was escorted from the Chamber.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 56)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:35 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 12, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, February 12, 2015

The House met at 10:01 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Herb McMillan of Anne Arundel County.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 57)

The Journal of February 11, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Holmes – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 569 – Delegates Jackson, Jalisi, Jameson, Patterson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**State Police Retirement System and Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System
– Reemployment of Retirees**

FOR the purpose of allowing a retiree of the State Police Retirement System to be reemployed in a permanent position, subject to certain limitations; requiring a retiree of the State Police Retirement System to earn service credit in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System under certain circumstances; requiring a retiree of the State Police Retirement System who earns service credit in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System to make certain contributions; requiring a retiree of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System to earn service credit in the State Police Retirement System under certain circumstances; requiring a retiree of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System who earns service credit in the State Police Retirement System to make certain contributions; repealing a certain termination provision pertaining to the reemployment of retirees of the State Police Retirement System; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the reemployment of retirees of the State Police Retirement System and the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 24–405 and 26–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 644 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter
649 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 570 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Emergency Medical Services – Motorcycle Unit PG 305–15

FOR the purpose of requiring the governing body of Prince George’s County, by local law, to establish an emergency medical response unit that travels by motorcycle to assist with emergencies in Prince George’s County; providing that the local law shall require a member of a certain unit to possess certain licenses or certifications; defining a certain term; and generally relating to emergency medical services providers in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 7–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 571 – Delegates Hettleman, Barron, McIntosh, Jones, and Morales

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Sexual Assault – Policy and Survey

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain sexual assault policy adopted by the governing board of each institution of higher education to conform with the requirements of a certain federal law; requiring a certain sexual assault policy to include a prohibition of the imposition of certain sanctions for a certain violation of the institution of higher education’s student conduct policy for certain students except if a certain determination is made and the entering of a memorandum of understanding with

certain entities; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, to establish certain procedures for the administration of certain sexual assault surveys by certain institutions of higher education; requiring certain institutions of higher education to use a certain survey as a model or develop a certain survey; requiring certain institutions of higher education to administer a certain sexual assault survey every year to certain students in accordance with certain procedures; requiring certain institutions of higher education to report school-specific results of a certain sexual assault survey to the Commission; requiring certain institutions of higher education to include school-specific survey results in a certain annual security report; requiring the Commission to report certain sexual assault survey results to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates, beginning in a certain year; requiring the Commission to publish certain sexual assault survey results in a certain manner; and generally relating to a policy and survey relating to sexual assault and institutions of higher education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 11–601

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 572 – Delegates Cullison, Barkley, Clippinger, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Ghrist, Gilchrist, Hayes, Haynes, Hill, Hixson, Kelly, Kipke, Kramer, Krebs, Lam, Luedtke, McDonough, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Proctor, Reznik, Smith, Valentino–Smith, M. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Commemorative Months – Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain month as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month and to urge the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Aging, in conjunction with certain entities, to properly observe Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities, including certain summits and updates; and generally relating to Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions

Section 7–504 through 7–506, respectively

to be Section 7–505 through 7–507, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–504
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 573 – Delegates Luedtke, Korman, Platt, Tarlau, A. Washington, M. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Fair Elections Act

FOR the purpose of reforming the system of public financing of campaigns for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor; establishing a Fair Elections Fund; providing for the contents and administration of the Fund; allocating certain fees and penalties that are assessed under the Election Law Article to the Fund; establishing the powers and duties of the State Board with respect to the administration of public campaign financing; requiring a gubernatorial ticket that seeks to qualify for public financing to file a certain notice and establish a certain campaign account; prohibiting a gubernatorial ticket that files a notice of intent to qualify for public campaign financing from taking certain actions with respect to a nonpublicly funded campaign account; requiring a gubernatorial ticket to raise seed money in a certain manner to qualify for public funding; establishing certain procedures governing a determination by the State Board as to whether a gubernatorial ticket qualifies for public financing; establishing certain requirements and procedures concerning a participating ticket's publicly funded campaign account; requiring a participating ticket to accept only certain contributions; limiting the amount that each member of a participating ticket and each member's spouse may contribute or lend to the participating ticket's campaign; prohibiting a gubernatorial ticket that files a notice of intent to qualify for public financing or a participating ticket from being a member of a slate; requiring that certain eligible private contributions be matched in a certain manner with money from the Fund; establishing certain limits on the total amount of matching funds a participating ticket may receive; authorizing the State Board to authorize the Comptroller to make disbursements of matching funds to participating tickets on a continuing basis; requiring a participating ticket to submit certain information to the State Board each time the participating ticket seeks a disbursement of matching funds; requiring a participating ticket to return to the Fund matching funds not expended on the election; requiring a participating ticket that opts out of public financing to take certain actions and pay a certain penalty; providing that this Act may not be construed to prohibit a political party from using the political party's funds for certain expenses; providing for judicial review of

actions of the State Board; prohibiting certain conduct and establishing certain civil and criminal penalties for violations; establishing a checkoff on the individual income tax return for contributions to the Fund; establishing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for a certain amount of contributions to the Fund by an individual during the taxable year; requiring the Comptroller to transfer funds in the Fair Campaign Financing Fund as of a certain date to the Fund; altering a certain exception to the prohibition on campaign fund-raising by certain officials during the General Assembly session; repealing the Public Financing Act for gubernatorial tickets; defining certain terms; making conforming changes; providing that certain captions included in this Act are not law; making the provisions of this Act severable; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to public financing of campaigns for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

BY repealing

Article – Election Law

Section 15–101 through 15–111 and the title “Title 15. Public Financing Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 5–403, 13–235, 13–247, 13–306(i), 13–307(i), 13–309.1(i), 13–340,
13–604(d)(3), 13–604.1(s), and 14–107(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 13–309.1(g), 13–604(a)(1), and 13–604.1(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–604(g); and 15–101 through 15–116 to be under the new title “Title 15.
Fair Elections Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)25.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 2–115 and 10–208(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 574 – Delegates B. Robinson, Barron, Hill, McComas, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physicians – Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Allied Health Practitioners – Licensure Requirements

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Physicians and a disciplinary panel to take certain actions against certain applicants and licensees for failing to submit to a certain criminal history records check; requiring certain applicants for licensure by the State Board of Physicians to submit to a certain criminal history records check; altering the circumstances under which certain individuals and certain physicians are authorized to practice medicine in the State without a license; requiring certain applicants and licensees to apply to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for a certain criminal history records check and to submit to the Central Repository certain fingerprints and fees; requiring the Central Repository to forward to the Board and to certain individuals certain information under certain circumstances; providing that certain information is confidential, may not be disseminated, and may be used only for certain purposes; authorizing certain individuals to contest certain information in accordance with certain provisions of law; altering the circumstances under which the Board may grant a certain waiver; requiring the Board, on receipt of certain information, to consider certain information in making certain determinations about certain applicants and licensees; requiring the Board to require certain criminal history records checks as a condition of license renewal beginning on a certain date; prohibiting the Board from renewing certain licenses if certain criminal history records check information has not been received; altering the circumstances under which the Board may issue a license to an individual who is on inactive status; authorizing the Board to reinstate certain licenses under certain circumstances; prohibiting a disciplinary panel from reinstating certain revoked or suspended licenses except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the licensure of physicians and allied health practitioners by the State Board of Physicians.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 14–205(b)(1)(iii), 14–302, 14–302.1, 14–309(a), 14–312(c) and (d), 14–313, 14–320(b), 14–409(a), 14–5A–10, 14–5A–11, 14–5A–17(a)(26) and (27), 14–5A–19, 14–5B–09(b), 14–5B–10, 14–5B–14(a)(26) and (27), 14–5B–16, 14–5C–09(b), 14–5C–11, 14–5C–12, 14–5C–17(a)(27) and (28), 14–5C–19,

14-5D-08(b), 14-5D-09, 14-5D-14(a)(27) and (28), 14-5D-16, 14-5E-09(b), 14-5E-11, 14-5E-16(a)(27) and (28), 14-5E-19, 14-5F-12, 14-5F-13, 14-5F-16(a)(2), 14-5F-18(a)(25) and (26), 14-5F-24, 15-303(a), 15-304, 15-305, 15-308, and 15-311

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 14-307(i), 14-308.1, 14-316(g), 14-5A-09(e), 14-5A-13(g), 14-5A-17(a)(28), 14-5B-12(g), 14-5B-14(a)(28), 14-5C-14(g), 14-5C-17(a)(29), 14-5D-12(h), 14-5D-14(a)(29), 14-5E-13(g), 14-5E-16(a)(29), 14-5F-11(g), 14-5F-15(d), 14-5F-18(a)(27), and 15-307(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 575 – Delegates Valentino-Smith, Anderson, Clippinger, Gaines, Gutierrez, Hornberger, A. Miller, Moon, Rosenberg, Smith, Vaughn, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Protecting the Resources of Children in State Custody

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Human Resources to serve in a fiduciary capacity for children in its custody; requiring the Department, in any action, service, or decision on behalf of a child in the Department's custody, to protect and serve the best interest of the child; prohibiting the Department from imposing a debt obligation on a child in the Department's custody or taking any other action that requires the child to pay for the child's own care or custody; requiring the Department, when applying for certain benefits for a child in the Department's custody, to identify a representative payee in consultation with the child's attorney; establishing certain duties of the Department when the Department serves as the representative payee for a child receiving certain benefits; requiring the Department to provide certain notice to the child, through the child's attorney, of certain actions taken with respect to certain benefits for the child; providing for the construction of a certain provision of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to children in State custody.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5-527.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 576 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Local Stock Market and Social Stock Exchange Task Force

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Local Stock Market and Social Stock Exchange Task Force; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the feasibility of establishing a local investment market or social stock exchange; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Local Stock Market and Social Stock Exchange Task Force.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 577 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Dumais, Frick, Gilchrist, Kaiser, Kelly, Moon, Morales, Platt, Reznik, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – De Facto Parent

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court, on request of certain parties in certain judicial proceedings, to determine whether an individual is a de facto parent of a child; authorizing an individual who asserts that the individual is a de facto parent to initiate or intervene in certain judicial proceedings by filing a certain pleading; establishing a certain burden of proof and standard of proof; requiring that a judicial determination on de facto parent status be in writing; establishing that an individual who is judicially determined to be a de facto parent has the duties, rights, and obligations of a parent unless the court makes a certain determination; requiring that certain disputes regarding the allocation of child custody and visitation be resolved on the basis of the best interest of the child; defining a certain term; and generally relating to de facto parents.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 578 – Delegates Stein, Krimm, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Net Price Calculator Improvement Act – Establishment

FOR the purpose of requiring each institution of higher education in the State to meet certain requirements for certain net price calculators on or before a certain date; requiring the Web site of each institution of higher education to contain a link to the net price calculator; requiring the results page for the net price calculator to include certain information under certain circumstances; requiring a net price calculator estimate to contain a certain notice; prohibiting institutions of higher education from allowing certain personally identifiable information provided to a certain net price calculator to be sold or otherwise made available to certain third parties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to net price calculators at institutions of higher education in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–114

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 579 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Extortion of Sexual Images

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from threatening another verbally or in writing with the intent to extort sexually explicit or nude photographs or video footage or other visual representations of the other person; providing penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to extortion.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–705 and 3–706

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 580 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Atterbeary, Campos, Carr, Cullison, Davis, Kelly, Oaks, B. Robinson, Sophocleus, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Disparities, Cultural and Linguistic Competency, and Health Literacy – Continuing Education

FOR the purpose of requiring certain applicants and health care professionals to provide to certain boards evidence of completion of certain continuing education requirements; requiring certain boards, in consultation with the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities and State experts, to adopt certain regulations; stating the intent of the General Assembly that the regulations require a certain percentage of the total required continuing education credits be in health care disparities, cultural and linguistic competency, and health literacy; requiring certain boards, on or before a certain date, to approve certain continuing education courses; requiring courses approved by a board to include certain instruction; authorizing a board to approve certain courses; defining certain terms; and generally relating to continuing education in health care disparities, cultural and linguistic competency, and health literacy for health care providers.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 1–801 through 1–804 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Continuing Education in Health Care Disparities, Cultural and Linguistic Competency, and Health Literacy”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 581 – Delegates Kramer, Afzali, Barkley, Barron, Carr, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, McComas, W. Miller, Platt, B. Robinson, and Valderrama

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Damages for Crimes Against Vulnerable or Elderly Adults – Standing

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Attorney General to bring a civil action for damages against a certain person who violates certain provisions of criminal law on behalf of a certain person; providing that a certain criminal conviction is not a prerequisite for maintenance of an action under this Act; providing that the Attorney General may recover certain damages under this Act; providing, under certain circumstances, for the recovery of certain costs by the Attorney General; providing for the application

of this Act; and generally relating to the authority of the Attorney General to bring a certain cause of action.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–604, 3–605, and 8–801
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2101 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Civil Damages for Crimes
Against Vulnerable or Elderly Adults”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 582 – Delegates Sydnor, Bromwell, Brooks, Hill, Jones, Platt, Smith,
and Stein**

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Judges – Selection, Qualifications, and Term of Office

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; repealing provisions relating to election of circuit court judges; requiring the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a qualified person to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of the circuit court; requiring certain hearings, deliberation, and debate on the confirmation of certain appointees to be public; providing that a judge of the circuit court shall cease to hold office if not confirmed by a certain time; altering the term of office of circuit court judges; requiring the Governor to reappoint a circuit court judge, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, upon the expiration of the judge’s term; requiring a certain judicial nominating commission or body to reflect a certain demographic diversity; providing for a transitional period during which the terms of certain amendments are effective; repealing certain obsolete provisions; making stylistic changes; generally relating to the selection, election, appointment, qualification, tenure, and term of office for judges of the circuit courts; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 2 and 3

BY proposing a repeal of the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 5; 18B and the part “Part IIA – Interim Provisions”; and 21A

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 5 and 5B

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article XVIII – Provisions of Limited Duration
Section 6

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 583 – Delegates Krebs, Arentz, Kittleman, McComas, W. Miller, Morgan, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings Act – Requirements for Providing Agendas

FOR the purpose of requiring a public body to provide an agenda containing certain information within a certain time before a certain meeting is held by a public body; providing that certain information does not need to be included in a certain agenda; authorizing methods by which a public body may provide a certain agenda; and generally relating to requirements for agendas and the Open Meetings Act.

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 3–302.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 584 – Delegates Healey, Afzali, Cassilly, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gilchrist, Holmes, Jacobs, Kramer, Krimm, Otto, Reznik, S. Robinson, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

Ethics Law – Financial Disclosure Statement by Elected Local Official of a Municipal Corporation – Confidential Information

FOR the purpose of altering certain financial disclosure provisions governing an elected local official of a municipal corporation; prohibiting the disclosure of certain

information concerning certain relatives, interests in certain real property or business entities, or information concerning certain employment or indebtedness that is included in the financial disclosure statement filed by an elected local official of a municipal corporation; and generally relating to the financial disclosure statement filed by an elected local official of a municipal corporation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–809
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 585 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission – Regulations to Prohibit Smoking
MC/PG 109–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission to adopt regulations, on or before a certain date, to prohibit on property under its jurisdiction the smoking of certain tobacco products; providing for certain exemptions and exclusions; and generally relating to regulations by the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 17–207
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 586 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Dumais, Morales, Smith, and Valentino–Smith

AN ACT concerning

Department of Juvenile Services – Juvenile Court Jurisdiction – Feasibility of Repeal of Excluded Offenses

FOR the purpose of requiring, by a certain date, the Department of Juvenile Services to prepare and submit to the General Assembly a certain assessment of the feasibility

of repealing certain provisions of law relating to offenses excluded from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; and generally relating to the Department of Juvenile Services and juvenile court jurisdiction.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 587 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Barbers – Limited License – Barber–Stylist

FOR the purpose of establishing a barber–stylist limited license under the State Board of Barbers; requiring the Board to adopt regulations to set certain curriculum standards for certain students; requiring an individual to obtain a barber–stylist limited license before providing barber–stylist services, subject to certain exceptions; authorizing a certain student to provide barber–stylist services in certain settings without a limited license, under certain circumstances; establishing certain qualifications for applicants for a barber–stylist limited license; authorizing the Board to credit certain training and experience, subject to certain limitations, toward the qualifications for licensure as a barber–stylist; requiring an applicant for a barber–stylist limited license to pass a certain examination, subject to certain exceptions; authorizing the Board to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; providing for the scope of practice for a barber–stylist limited license; requiring a licensee to display a barber–stylist limited license in a certain manner; providing for the administration of certain penalties; providing for the provision of barber–stylist services as part of the scope of practice for an apprentice barber; prohibiting a person from taking certain actions without holding a barber–stylist limited license, subject to certain exceptions; prohibiting a person from providing barber–stylist services outside certain places except under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a limited license to provide barber–stylist services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 4–101, 4–206, 4–301, 4–301.1, 4–301.2, 4–302, 4–305, 4–306, 4–307,
4–309, 4–313, 4–314, 4–404, 4–509, 4–601, 4–604, and 4–605

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 588 – Delegates Lafferty, Fraser–Hidalgo, Aumann, Carr, Frush,
Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, and Miele**

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Passing Bicycles, Personal Mobility Devices, or Motor Scooters

FOR the purpose of clarifying that when overtaking a bicycle, an electric personal assistive mobility device (EPAMD), or a motor scooter, the driver of a vehicle is required to pass at a safe speed unless certain exceptions apply; repealing a certain exception to a certain requirement that a driver overtake and pass a bicycle, an EPAMD, or a motor scooter in a certain manner that applies when a highway lacks sufficient width; and generally relating to rules of the road for overtaking and passing bicycles, EPAMDs, or motor scooters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–1209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 589 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – Alcoholic Beverages – Certification for License Application

FOR the purpose of requiring the Treasurer of Charles County, instead of the Office of the County Supervisor of Assessments, to prepare a certification showing the value of certain merchandise, fixtures, and stock-in-trade, as certified to the county by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, for a business for which an application is made for a certain alcoholic beverages license; making conforming changes; and generally relating to license application requirements for alcoholic beverages licenses in Charles County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 10–104(a) and 10–503(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 10–104(j), 10–301(i), and 10–503(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 590 – Delegates McKay, Beitzel, Buckel, Parrott, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Corporate Income Tax – Rate Reduction – Allegany County and Washington County

FOR the purpose of altering the State income tax rate on the Maryland taxable income of corporations with headquarters and base of operations in Allegany County or Washington County; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland corporate income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 591 – Delegates Miele, Hayes, Krebs, Pena–Melnyk, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Refills of Prescriptions During State of Emergency

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a pharmacist, during a state of emergency, may refill a prescription for a drug for which the refill has not been authorized; providing that a pharmacist who is working in Maryland, instead of the area declared an emergency, may refill the prescription if the federal or any state government, instead of the federal or this State’s government, declares a state of emergency; increasing the maximum quantity of the drug that may be dispensed under the prescription refill; and generally relating to refills of prescriptions during a state of emergency.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–101(a) and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–506(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 592 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

**State Donor Registry – Methods of Registration – Clerks of Circuit Courts,
Registers of Wills, and Motor Vehicle Administration
(Enhancing Organ Donation Rates Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the clerks of the circuit courts and registers of wills to provide a method by which certain individuals can register with the State donor registry for a certain purpose; requiring, under certain circumstances, the clerks of the circuit courts and the registers of wills to transfer certain information received by the clerks of the circuit courts or registers of wills to the State donor registry; requiring the clerks of the circuit courts and registers of wills to notify certain individuals that a certain registration will remain effective until the individual makes a certain request; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to provide a method by which an individual doing business with the Administration can register as a donor with the State donor registry for a certain purpose and select to have a donor designation on the individual's driver's license or identification card, rather than providing a method by which an applicant for a driver's license or identification card can designate that the applicant consents to a certain gift; making conforming changes; and generally relating to methods of registering with the State donor registry.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–214
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 2–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 4–516
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 12–303
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 593 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Public Schools – Criteria for Building Surveys and
Inspections
PG 409–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to establish certain criteria for evaluating the condition of public school buildings and facilities; requiring certain surveys and inspections of certain public school buildings and facilities in Prince George’s County to assess the adequacy of the buildings and facilities by applying certain established criteria in addition to any other required criteria; providing that certain criteria be given equal weight to certain other criteria under certain circumstances; authorizing the county board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to criteria for public school building surveys and inspections in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 5–310.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 594 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – New School Construction Investment Act of 2015
PG 413–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Council for Prince George’s County to impose a tax on retail sales in the county; exempting from the tax sales that are exempt from the State sales and use tax; limiting the rate of the tax; imposing certain collection and administrative requirements on vendors who make sales subject to the tax; authorizing certain vendors to deduct a certain percentage of the gross tax collected for the cost of collection and remittance of the tax; authorizing the County Council for Prince George’s County to provide by law for imposition of interest and penalties for failure to pay the tax as required and to provide for collection of unpaid tax, interest, or penalties; requiring that the net proceeds of the tax be used only for certain purposes; submitting this Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of Prince

George's County; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to authorizing the County Council for Prince George's County to impose a tax on retail sales in the county for certain purposes.

BY adding to

Article – Local Government
Section 20–605.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 11–102(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 595 – Delegates Moon, Hixson, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Barkley, B. Barnes, Barron, Branch, Brooks, Campos, Carr, Carter, Chang, Clippinger, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, Jalisi, Jones, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Krimm, Lam, Lierman, Lisanti, Luedtke, McCray, A. Miller, Morales, Morhaim, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Valentino–Smith, Vallario, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Special Elections for United States Senate Vacancies Act

FOR the purpose of altering the process for filling a vacancy in the office of United States Senator; repealing the authority of the Governor to make an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor to issue a proclamation to call for a special primary election and a special general election to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator under certain circumstances; specifying the dates when a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator shall be held; requiring the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator temporarily under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual appointed and duly sworn in to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator temporarily from being a candidate to fill the vacancy in the special election; and generally relating to filling a vacancy in the office of United States Senator.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law

Section 8–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 8–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 596 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Maryland Appointed Attorneys Program Corporation

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Appointed Attorneys Program Corporation; providing that the Corporation is a nonstock corporation; providing that the purpose of the Corporation is to provide legal representation to indigent criminal defendants at initial appearances before District Court commissioners as required by the Court of Appeals in a certain case decision; requiring the Corporation to maintain its principal office in the State and a certain designated agent; requiring the Corporation to file the name and address of a certain designated agent with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; providing that the Corporation is exempt from certain taxes; providing that the Corporation is not a unit or instrumentality of the State; requiring the Board of Directors of the Corporation to appoint an executive director of the Corporation; establishing the authority and responsibility of the executive director; providing that the executive director is entitled to a certain salary; providing that the executive director may be removed by a majority of the Board; providing that a political test or political qualification may not be used in selecting, appointing, promoting, or taking any other personnel action with respect to an officer, agent, or employee of the Corporation; providing that employees of the Corporation are entitled to salaries as provided in a certain budget; providing that employees of the Corporation are not employees of the State; requiring the Corporation to exercise certain powers granted to a certain nonstock corporation; requiring the Corporation to indemnify the members of the Board and the officers, agents, and employees of the Corporation to a certain extent; requiring the Corporation to publish an annual report and to submit the annual report to the Governor and General Assembly; requiring that the annual report include a certain description; requiring the executive director to prepare an annual budget for the Corporation; requiring the Corporation to submit its budget to the General Assembly in conjunction with the budget request of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention at a certain time for a certain purpose; requiring a certain budget to include certain information; providing that there is a Board of Directors of the Corporation; specifying the membership of the Board; providing for the term of office

of a voting member of the Board; providing that if a vacancy occurs during the term of a voting member of the Board, the Governor shall fill the vacancy; providing for the removal of a voting member; requiring the Board to elect a chair at a certain time and to appoint certain other officers; providing that a member of the Board may not receive compensation as a member of the Board but is entitled to certain reimbursement; requiring the Board to meet at least a certain number of times per year; providing that a meeting of the Board shall be open to the public; providing that nonstate funds received by the Corporation shall be accounted for and reported as receipts and disbursements separate and distinct from State funds; establishing the Maryland Appointed Attorneys Program Corporation Fund; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention to administer the Fund; providing that the Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; requiring the Corporation to use the Fund in a certain manner; requiring the Treasurer to invest and reinvest the Fund in a certain manner and credit any investment earnings to the Fund; prohibiting the Treasurer from charging interest against the Fund under certain circumstances; requiring that expenditures from the Fund be made in accordance with a certain appropriation; authorizing the Corporation to accept and use certain money or property received for a certain purpose; prohibiting the Corporation from issuing stock or declaring or paying dividends; prohibiting certain earnings of the Corporation from inuring to the benefit of any individual, with a certain exception; providing that an individual may not share in the distribution of corporate assets at a certain time; providing for the liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the Corporation; providing that the accounts and transactions of the Fund shall be subject to audit by the legislative auditor; requiring the executive director to maintain a confidential list of private attorneys available to serve as appointed attorneys for indigent individuals eligible for representation under this Act; requiring that each attorney on a certain list be admitted to practice law in the State; requiring the executive director to schedule appointed attorneys as needed to represent indigent individuals at initial appearances statewide; specifying the primary duty of an appointed attorney; requiring an appointed attorney to report to the Corporation in a certain manner; requiring the Corporation to authorize payment of fees and expenses from the Fund to appointed attorneys according to certain schedules; prohibiting an appointed attorney from receiving a certain fee for services; requiring the Corporation to provide staff and technical assistance to a certain appointed attorney; requiring the Corporation to seek to ensure that a certain appointed attorney meets certain standards; providing that representation of an indigent individual by an appointed attorney shall terminate at the conclusion of the initial appearance; providing for the circumstances under which an individual may apply for services of the Corporation; specifying how eligibility for services of the Corporation shall be determined; requiring the Corporation to investigate the financial status of an applicant under certain circumstances; authorizing the Corporation to take certain actions to verify the financial status of an applicant; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and the Comptroller to comply with certain requests for information; providing that certain information is confidential and may not be disclosed to any person except under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Corporation from taking certain actions; defining certain terms; providing for the citation of this Act;

providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Appointed Attorneys Program Corporation.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 17–101 through 17–801 to be under the new title “Title 17. Maryland Appointed Attorneys Program Corporation”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 597 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County Board of Education – Public High Schools – Outdoor Synthetic Turf Fields PG 407–15

FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to install an outdoor synthetic turf field at each public high school in the county during a certain period of time; establishing the priority order for school field construction; prohibiting the Prince George’s County Executive and the Prince George’s County Board of Education from designating more than a certain number of fields for construction in any fiscal year; requiring certain fields to be constructed for joint use; requiring certain expenditures to be deemed eligible public school construction costs or capital improvement costs by the Interagency Committee on School Construction for certain purposes; requiring the local share of costs for construction of certain fields to be paid for with certain funds from Program Open Space; authorizing the Prince George’s County Board of Education to use certain funds to implement certain provisions of law; and generally relating to public high school athletic fields and the Prince George’s County Board of Education.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 4–131

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 598 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George's County – Raffles – Charitable Foundations and Repeal of
Monetary Cap
PG 301–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a raffle to be conducted in Prince George's County by a certain charitable foundation that is affiliated with a professional football team that plays its home games in the county and that has an office and conducts operations in the county; requiring the foundation to obtain a written permit from a certain county agency before conducting the raffle; requiring the agency to ascertain the character of the applicant before issuing the permit; prohibiting the permit from being transferred; requiring the county agency to set a permit fee; providing for no limitation on the number of permits that may be issued in a year; authorizing the charitable foundation to set the price of raffle tickets and to award prizes in any amount in money or in merchandise, but prohibiting the amount from exceeding a certain percentage of the raffle proceeds; requiring that certain proceeds be used to benefit the residents of the county; prohibiting any proceeds from helping to cover certain costs in conducting the raffle; requiring that a raffle be held in conjunction with a specific professional football game played in the county; providing that a permit is valid for not more than a certain number of hours; setting certain requirements concerning the conduct of the raffle and the selling of raffle tickets; requiring the charitable foundation to send to a certain county agency an annual report detailing the amount and disposition of the money raised by raffles in the previous calendar year; repealing the cap on the amount of money that a qualified organization may award as a prize in a raffle conducted in Prince George's County; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; and generally relating to raffles held in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–1901, 13–1908, 13–1909, 13–1910, and 13–1911
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–1902
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–1911.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 599 – St. Mary’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Violations of Ordinances, Rules, and Regulations – Penalties

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions relating to the civil and criminal penalties for violations of certain ordinances, rules, and regulations adopted by St. Mary’s County; authorizing the County Commissioners of St. Mary’s County to provide that a violation of certain ordinances is punishable as a misdemeanor and enforced in a certain manner and to a certain extent and is a civil infraction and shall be prosecuted in a certain manner and to a certain extent; providing that every day that a violation of certain ordinances continues is a separate civil infraction; authorizing St. Mary’s County to bring an action for an injunction against a person who violates an ordinance, rule, or regulation to require the correction or elimination of the violation; and generally relating to penalties for violations of ordinances, rules, and regulations adopted by St. Mary’s County.

BY repealing

Article – Land Use

Section 9–1607 and 9–1608

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 12–538, 12–618, 12–804, and 13–703

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 600 – St. Mary’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Property Maintenance – Voluntary Agreements

FOR the purpose of authorizing an ordinance enacted by St. Mary’s County regarding property maintenance to provide for a voluntary agreement between the county and an owner of real property for remediation by the county of certain conditions constituting a certain nuisance, including demolition of certain improvements; authorizing a certain voluntary agreement to provide for repayment by the property owner to the county of the costs of certain remediation or demolition in a certain manner; providing that certain unpaid costs may be enforced by the filing of a lien against the property until repaid; providing that the lien has a certain priority and may be collected in the same manner as county real property taxes; and generally

relating to voluntary agreements entered for property maintenance in St. Mary's County.

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 93-5
Article 19 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2007 Edition and March 2014 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 601 – Delegates K. Young, Fraser-Hidalgo, Lam, and Moon

AN ACT concerning

Medical Marijuana – 30-Day Supply – Adequacy and Possession

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain written certification may include a certain statement from a certifying physician related to a 30-day supply of medical marijuana; providing that a qualifying patient in possession of an amount of medical marijuana that is greater than a 30-day supply may not be subject to arrest, prosecution, certain penalties, or certain discipline, or be denied any right or privilege under certain circumstances; and generally relating to medical marijuana and possession of greater than a 30-day supply.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 13-3301 and 13-3313
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 602 – Delegates Glenn, Cullison, Gaines, Hill, Kelly, Kittleman, Lam, McCray, McMillan, Morales, Morhaim, B. Robinson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Care Commission – Uterine Fibroids – Study

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, certain experts, and interested stakeholders, to conduct a study of issues related to the incidence of uterine fibroids in the State; requiring the study to examine certain issues; requiring, on or before a certain date, the Commission to report certain findings to certain committees of the General Assembly; and generally relating to the Maryland Health Care Commission and a study of uterine fibroids.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 603 – Delegates S. Robinson, Carr, Clippinger, Gilchrist, Kelly, Korman, A. Miller, Moon, Pendergrass, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Composting and Anaerobic Digestion Facilities – Yard Waste and Food Residuals

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law relating to the composting of yard waste; requiring a certain person to ensure certain yard waste is recycled in a certain manner beginning on a certain date; authorizing certain composting facilities and anaerobic digestion facilities to be located at refuse disposal systems; requiring a certain person to ensure certain food residuals are diverted from the solid waste stream in a certain manner beginning on a certain date; requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to composting and anaerobic digestion facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1701(a), (b), (c), (d), and (t) and 9–1726
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 9–1724
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Environment
Section 9–1701(a–1), (a–2), and (h–1) and 9–1724
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1701(n), 9–1723, and 9–1725
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 604 – Delegates Moon, Miele, Barkley, Carr, Cullison, Ebersole, Folden, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gutierrez, Kelly, Kittleman, Korman, Kramer, Krimm, Luedtke, A. Miller, Morales, Parrott, Platt, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, M. Washington, C. Wilson, and K. Young

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Special Election to Fill a Vacancy in Office

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution authorizing the counties and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to enact legislation authorizing a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate or Senator; establishing certain voting procedures for the authorization of special elections by the counties and City of Baltimore; establishing that if a vacancy occurs during a certain period of the term of the office and a special election is authorized, the special election shall coincide with the next ensuing regular presidential and congressional election; establishing that the Governor’s appointee to fill a vacancy in the General Assembly is temporary under certain circumstances; specifying the term of office for a member elected by special election; establishing who is qualified for candidacy and to vote in a special election; making certain clarifying changes; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to special elections to fill vacancies in the General Assembly.

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 6, 7, and 13

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland
Article XVII – Quadrennial Elections
Section 1 through 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 605 – Delegates Healey, Fraser–Hidalgo, Beidle, Beitzel, Carr, Frush, Holmes, Knotts, Lafferty, Lam, Pendergrass, S. Robinson, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

**Agriculture – Neonicotinoid Pesticide – Labeling Requirement
(Pollinator Protection Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling in the State certain seeds, material, or plants that have been treated with a neonicotinoid pesticide unless the seeds, material, or plants bear a label with a certain statement; prohibiting a person from

selling in the State, on or after a certain date, a neonicotinoid pesticide unless the person also sells a restricted-use pesticide; prohibiting a person from using a neonicotinoid pesticide on or after a certain date unless the person is a certified applicator, a farmer who uses the product for a certain purpose, or a veterinarian; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a neonicotinoid pesticide.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–201(a), (c), and (r)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–2A–01 and 5–2A–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2A. Plants Treated With Pesticides”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 606 – Delegates Dumais, Angel, Atterbeary, Barve, Campos, Clippinger, Cluster, Conaway, Gilchrist, Glenn, Hettleman, Hixson, Jalisi, Kelly, Kramer, Krebs, McComas, Metzgar, A. Miller, Moon, Pendergrass, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Valderrama, Valentino-Smith, Waldstreicher, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – Persons Eligible for Relief

FOR the purpose of altering, for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to domestic violence, the definition of “person eligible for relief” to include an individual who has had a sexual relationship with a certain respondent; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–501(m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 607 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George's County – Property Tax – Transforming Neighborhood Initiative
Residential Rehabilitation Tax Credit
PG 414–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Prince George's County to grant a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on certain residential real property; providing that the property tax credit may not exceed a certain amount; authorizing Prince George's County to provide for certain provisions to carry out the property tax credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for certain residential property in Prince George's County.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–318(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 608 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Conaway, Haynes, Moon, Morales,
and Oaks**

AN ACT concerning

**Courts – Civil Action for Law Enforcement Officer Misconduct – Nondisclosure
Agreements**

FOR the purpose of providing that a plaintiff in a civil action against a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency for injuries resulting from law enforcement officer misconduct may not be required, as a part of a settlement of the civil action, to agree not to disclose to a third party information about the action; providing a certain immunity for a violation of a certain settlement agreement; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain settlement agreements.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–427

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 609 – Prince George's County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Motorcycle Operators – Penalties for Speed Violations
PG 311–15**

FOR the purpose of altering the penalty for a person who is convicted of committing a certain speed violation while operating a motorcycle in Prince George’s County; and generally relating to penalties for speed violations committed by motorcycle operators in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–801.1(a) through (e) and 27–101(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 27–101(ff)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

**House Bill 610 – Delegates McComas, Beitzel, Flanagan, Impallaria, Kittleman,
McDonough, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, and B. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

Elections – Study Commission on the Redistricting Process in Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing a Study Commission on the Redistricting Process in Maryland; specifying the composition, powers, and duties of the Commission; providing for the staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations, including suggested constitutional and legislative changes, to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Study Commission on the Redistricting Process in Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

**House Bill 611 – Delegates A. Miller, Frick, Korman, Carr, Dumais,
Fraser–Hidalgo, Kelly, S. Robinson, and Tarlau**

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Electric Companies – Vegetation Management

FOR the purpose of requiring the Public Service Commission, in adopting certain vegetation management regulations, to require that an electric company's vegetation management program comply with certain standards and to prohibit an electric company from removing a tree on private property unless certain criteria are met; defining a certain term; and generally relating to vegetation management by electric companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–213(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–213(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 612 – Delegates A. Miller, Frush, Haynes, Hixson, Krimm, Lam, Miele, B. Robinson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Stalking – Included Acts

FOR the purpose of defining the term “conduct” for purposes of a certain prohibition against stalking to include approaching, following, or pursuing another person without the person's consent and monitoring or tracking another person without the person's consent by or through the use of any device, action, or means, including electronic methods; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the crime of stalking.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–801
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–802
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 613 – Delegate Hammen

AN ACT concerning

**Hospitals – Rate-Setting – Participation in 340B Program Under the Federal
Public Health Service Act**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “hospital services” to include a certain hospital outpatient service of a certain hospital for the purpose of allowing the hospital outpatient service to continue to participate in a certain federal program under rates set by the State Health Services Cost Review Commission; and generally relating to rates for hospital outpatient services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–219(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 614 – Delegate Dumais

AN ACT concerning

Department of State Police – Handgun Roster Board – Definition of Handgun

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of handgun for purposes of provisions relating to the Handgun Roster Board to exclude certain firearms from the definition; and generally relating to the Handgun Roster Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 615 – Delegates Moon, Morales, Anderson, Carter, Jalisi, Korman, Platt, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Division of Parole and Probation – Revocation Prohibited – Marijuana

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Division of Parole and Probation from issuing a certain warrant or a certain notice of violation for a certain offender or parolee charged with a certain marijuana violation or who submits a urinalysis that is positive for marijuana; and generally relating to the Division of Parole and Probation.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 6–119

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 616 – St. Mary’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Animal Regulations

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions authorizing the County Commissioners of St. Mary’s County to pass rules, regulations, or resolutions relating to dog licenses, the prohibition of dogs running at large off the property of the owner, the seizure and disposal of dogs found running at large, and the confinement of female dogs in heat; repealing provisions authorizing the county commissioners to delegate, by written contract, the enforcement of certain rules, regulations, or resolutions; authorizing the county commissioners to enact a local law to provide a comprehensive system for the regulation, humane treatment, and keeping of domestic animals and wild animals kept in captivity; authorizing a certain local law to include a schedule of fines for designated violations; providing that a violation of a certain local law is a civil infraction; and generally relating to the regulation of certain animals in St. Mary’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 13–129

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 617 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Alcoholic Beverages – Licenses, Commissioners, and
Inspectors
PG 307–15**

FOR the purpose of altering in Prince George’s County the requirements relating to residency for an alcoholic beverages license applicant acting on behalf of a sole proprietorship or partnership; repealing a prohibition against issuing, renewing, or transferring a license to an individual on behalf of a corporation, unincorporated association, or limited liability company, unless County residents own a certain percentage of certain capital stock or interests; repealing certain exemptions from certain provisions relating to applications for certain alcoholic beverages licenses; repealing a certain obsolete provision; repealing certain residency requirements for any issuance, renewal, or transfer of a license, including a Class B beer, wine and liquor license; repealing the prohibition against issuing in or transferring into certain alcoholic beverages districts a beer, wine or liquor license that has an off–sale privilege; increasing the annual salaries of the members and the chairman of the County Board of License Commissioners; altering the number of part–time inspectors; altering the salary of a part–time inspector; making conforming and technical changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–101(a)(4) and (d), 9–217(f)(5), (j), and (l), 15–109(r)(2), and 15–112(r)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–217(a), 15–109(r)(1), and 15–112(r)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 618 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Dumais, Morales, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Juveniles – Transfer Determinations – Confinement in Juvenile Facilities

FOR the purpose of requiring a court exercising criminal jurisdiction in a case involving a child, or the District Court at a bail review or preliminary hearing involving a child,

to order a certain child to be held in a secure juvenile facility pending a certain transfer determination except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the confinement of juveniles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 4–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 619 – Delegates Haynes, A. Miller, Pena–Melnyk, and Sydnor

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Flexible Workweek

FOR the purpose of allowing certain business entities a credit against the State income tax for the cost of providing a flexible workweek to the employees of the business entity; requiring that a certain number of the full–time employees of a business entity must work a flexible workweek in order for the business entity to claim the credit; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount; providing that certain organizations exempt from taxation may receive the credit as a refund under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for offering a flexible workweek.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 620 – Delegates A. Miller, Fraser–Hidalgo, Chang, Glass, Hornberger, Miele, Moon, Platt, B. Robinson, Smith, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Unmanned Aircraft Systems – Unauthorized Surveillance

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, a person from using a certain unmanned aircraft system to intentionally conduct surveillance of, gather evidence or collect information about, or photographically or electronically record a certain individual or property; providing penalties for a violation of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to unmanned aircraft systems.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–908

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 621 – Delegates S. Robinson, Healey, and Moon

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Entrance to State Highway – Permit Process

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to consider whether a proposed entrance to a State highway is consistent with the comprehensive plan when determining whether to grant or deny a permit for the entrance; requiring the Administration to determine whether to grant or deny a permit based on a preponderance of certain evidence; requiring the Administration to grant or deny a permit request on or before a certain time period; requiring the Administration to promptly provide written notice and an explanation of the reasons for granting or denying a permit request to certain persons; authorizing a land use authority for the jurisdiction in which a proposed entrance is to be located to appeal the denial of a permit before the Office of Administrative Hearings; clarifying that a permit for an entrance from a residential subdivision to a State highway is governed by certain provisions of law; defining certain terms; making a technical correction; and generally relating to the permit process for entrances to State highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Land Use

Section 1–101(r) and 1–303

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 8–625

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 622 – Delegates Moon, Anderson, Carter, Dumais, Jalisi, Morales, Rosenberg, Smith, and Sydnor

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Eligibility for Parole – Conditional Parole

FOR the purpose of establishing conditional parole as a form of release from incarceration for inmates over a certain age under certain circumstances; establishing a means of initiating consideration by the Maryland Parole Commission of the appropriateness of granting conditional parole; requiring the Commission to provide for a conditional parole hearing on receipt of a certain request; requiring the Commission to appoint a certain guardian to represent the best interests of a certain person under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to consider certain information before granting a conditional parole release; requiring the Commission to impose certain conditions in conjunction with conditional parole; authorizing the Commission to impose certain conditions on a parolee in conjunction with conditional parole; authorizing a certain person who is denied conditional parole by the Commission to request an additional conditional parole hearing at a certain time; providing for the applicability to conditional parole proceedings of provisions of law concerning victim notification and participation in parole proceedings; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Commission to provide a certain annual report to the General Assembly with certain information; providing for a finding of the General Assembly; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to conditional parole.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 7–309.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 623 – Delegates Miele, Bromwell, Krebs, Pena–Melnik, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Estates – Modified Administration – Final Report and Distribution – Extension

FOR the purpose of authorizing, under certain circumstances, a register of wills to extend the time periods for filing a final report and making distribution of an estate in a modified administration of the estate for a certain period of time on the filing of a certain request; requiring the request for the extension to be signed by the personal representative and consented to by certain persons; requiring the request to be delivered to the register of wills by a certain date; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an extension of the time periods for filing a final report and for making final distribution of an estate in a modified administration of the estate.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 5–703
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 624 – Delegates Miele, Bromwell, Krebs, Pena–Melnyk, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Funeral Expenses Allowance – Modified Administration

FOR the purpose of establishing that, if an estate is solvent, a personal representative is not required to obtain an allowance by the court for funeral expenses if the estate is under modified administration and the funeral expenses are included on a certain report; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an allowance for funeral expenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 8–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 625 – Delegates Miele, Pena–Melnyk, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Trust Act – Revocable Trusts – Partial Revocation by Divorce or Annulment

FOR the purpose of providing for the revocation of certain terms of a revocable trust on the absolute divorce of the settlor and the settlor’s spouse or the annulment of their marriage occurring after the creation of the settlor’s revocable trust, except under certain circumstances; requiring removal of the spouse as a trustee or an advisor on the date of the divorce or annulment; prohibiting the spouse from serving as a trustee or an advisor or exercising certain powers after the divorce or annulment; and generally relating to the effects of divorce or annulment on a revocable trust.

BY adding to
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 626 – Delegates Moon, Lierman, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Political Party – Retention of Status

FOR the purpose of altering the number of registered voters in the State that must be affiliated with a political party as of a certain date each year in order for the political party to retain its status; and generally relating to a political party and the retention of its status.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 4–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 627 – Delegates Rosenberg, Morales, Anderson, Carr, Carter, Korman, Moon, Smith, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Law Enforcement Officers – Body–Worn Cameras

FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement officer to activate both the audio and visual recording capabilities of a body–worn camera under certain circumstances; requiring a certain camera, once activated, to continue recording until a certain event; providing that a law enforcement officer may not use a certain camera to record an individual engaged in certain activities, with a certain exception; providing that a recording made under certain circumstances may not be used to identify certain persons; requiring a certain law enforcement officer to provide a certain notice to the subject of a certain recording; providing certain requirements for recording on private property under certain circumstances; providing for requests to turn the camera off under certain circumstances; requiring a certain law enforcement agency to establish certain policies; limiting the use or review of certain recordings for certain purposes; limiting access to a certain recording to certain individuals for certain uses; requiring a certain log to be maintained and updated under certain circumstances; requiring an unedited copy of a certain recording to be maintained; providing that the subject of a certain recording is a certain person in interest; providing that it is lawful under a certain provision of law for a law enforcement officer to intercept a certain oral communication; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to law enforcement officers and body–worn cameras.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–510

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10–402(c)(11)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 628 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Municipal Zoning Authority
MC/PG 111–15**

FOR the purpose of exempting the exercise of certain powers by a municipal corporation from a prohibition against the exercise of any powers relating to planning, subdivision control, or zoning by a municipal corporation in Prince George’s County in the Maryland–Washington Regional District; exempting the exercise of certain powers by a municipal corporation from a provision of law limiting the exercise of certain powers to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission; authorizing a municipal corporation in Prince George’s County to enact a comprehensive local law regulating fences in the municipal corporation; establishing that a certain local law regulating fences in a municipal corporation may be less restrictive than certain local and zoning laws; repealing a provision of law authorizing the Prince George’s County Council, sitting as the district council, to revoke a certain delegation of site plan approval authority to the Prince George’s County Planning Board only for a certain purpose; authorizing the governing body of a municipal corporation in Prince George’s County in the regional district to exercise certain powers of the district council and the county planning board relating to the zoning of land in the municipal corporation; requiring a party of record to appeal a certain municipal action to the district council for review before exercising a certain right to judicial review; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the zoning authority of municipal corporations in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Land Use

Section 20–709, 22–120, 22–202, 22–203, and 25–210; and 25–301 and 25–302 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 3. Municipal Zoning Authority”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 629 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Kelly, Kipke, Lam, Morhaim, Oaks, B. Robinson, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Alcohol and Drug Counselors – Qualifications and Practice Limitations

FOR the purpose of altering the qualifications individuals are required to meet to be licensed to practice clinical alcohol and drug counseling, to qualify to practice as a licensed graduate alcohol and drug counselor under supervision for a limited period of time, to qualify as a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug, or to qualify as a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug; requiring a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug to practice under the supervision of a Board–approved alcohol and drug supervisor who meets certain requirements; providing that a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug may only provide counseling as an employee of a certain agency or facility and under the supervision of a certain supervisor; prohibiting a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug from practicing independently; requiring a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug to practice under the supervision of a Board–approved alcohol and drug supervisor who meets certain requirements; providing that a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug may only provide counseling as an employee of a certain agency or facility and under the supervision of a certain supervisor; prohibiting a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug from providing supervision or practicing independently; making conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to qualifications for and practice of alcohol and drug counselors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 17–302, 17–309(a) and (c), 17–403, and 17–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 17–309(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 630 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Mechanical Repair Contracts

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “mechanical repair contract” for purposes of certain provisions of law establishing requirements for mechanical repair contracts and persons who sell or offer them; establishing that an agreement or contract sold by the person obligated under the agreement or contract may be a mechanical repair contract under certain circumstances; specifying services that may be offered under a mechanical repair contract; establishing that certain warranties under a certain federal law and agreements for regular maintenance are not mechanical repair contracts; establishing that a mechanical repair contract is not required to be filed for approval with the Insurance Commissioner; prohibiting certain persons who sell mechanical repair contracts from making certain false, deceptive, or misleading statements; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to mechanical repair contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–311.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 631 – Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)
and Delegates Carter, Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, and B. Robinson**

AN ACT concerning

**Program Open Space – Baltimore City Grants – Increase and
Inflation Adjustment**

FOR the purpose of increasing a certain statutory minimum grant to Baltimore City, payable from the State’s share of the proceeds of Program Open Space, for certain purposes related to Program Open Space; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to increase the grant by applying the growth in a certain consumer price index to the amount of grants received in the prior fiscal year; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain grants to Baltimore City under Program Open Space.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–903(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–903(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 632 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Off-Highway Recreational Vehicles – Penalty for Highway Use PG 312–15

FOR the purpose of altering the penalty for a person who is convicted of driving an unregistered vehicle on a highway while operating an off-highway recreational vehicle in Prince George’s County; and generally relating to penalties for the highway use of off-highway recreational vehicles in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 11–140.1, 13–402(a)(1), and 27–101(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 27–101(ff)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 633 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Cigarette Restitution Fund – Use of Funds – Compliance With Watershed Implementation Plans

FOR the purpose of allowing the Cigarette Restitution Fund to be used to provide financial assistance to farmers to be used for certain purposes; establishing the Watershed Implementation Plan Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Department of Agriculture to administer the Fund; requiring

the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to make a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the use of certain money from the Cigarette Restitution Fund and certain financial assistance to farmers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–317(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–317(f) and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 8–808
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation and the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 634 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County Board of Education – Certified County–Based Business Participation Program PG 408–15

FOR the purpose of requiring the Chief Executive Officer of the Prince George’s County public school system and the Prince George’s County Board of Education to establish and implement a Certified County–Based Business Participation Program to be used in county board procurement; requiring the Chief Executive Officer and the county board to establish certain goals and requirements for the Program and to consult with the Prince George’s County Council in the establishment and implementation of the Program; authorizing the Chief Executive Officer and the county board to use certain incentives and bonuses to achieve certain Program goals and requirements; requiring the Chief Executive Officer and the county board to submit a report on the

Program to certain delegations of the General Assembly and certain county officials on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Chief Executive Officer and the county board to submit a certain preliminary report to certain delegations of the General Assembly and certain county officials on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a Certified County–Based Business Participation Program in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 4–125.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 635 – Delegates Afzali and Ciliberti

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Northwest Trek Conservation and Education Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Global Wildlife Trust, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 636 – Delegates Stein, Clippinger, Gaines, and Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Thermal Energy

FOR the purpose of altering the renewable energy portfolio standard for certain years; providing for certain thermal energy sources to be thermal tier renewable sources; requiring an electricity supplier to meet the renewable energy portfolio standard by accumulating a certain amount of renewable energy credits and thermal renewable energy credits; providing that thermal energy from a thermal tier renewable source is eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable portfolio standard if it is generated at a certain system or facility; applying certain provisions that relate to renewable energy credits to thermal renewable energy credits; repealing a provision that limited which persons could receive renewable energy credits for energy generated

by a certain geothermal heating and cooling system; altering the method of determining the amount of thermal renewable energy credits generated by a certain geothermal heating and cooling system; altering the method of determining the amount of thermal renewable energy credits generated by a certain animal manure biomass system; providing that thermal energy from a woody biomass system is eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations relating to woody biomass systems; requiring the Commission to consider certain metering and verification methods for woody biomass systems when adopting certain regulations; authorizing an interested party to petition the Commission to adopt certain new metering and verification methods under certain circumstances; providing that a certain woody biomass system shall receive thermal renewable energy credits only for the portion of thermal energy generated by the woody biomass; providing that the owner of a certain geothermal heating and cooling system or animal manure biomass system that is registered with the Commission to receive renewable energy credits as a Tier 1 renewable source before a certain date may remain registered as a Tier 1 renewable source that generates renewable energy credits or reregister as a thermal tier renewable source that generates thermal renewable energy credits; requiring the Commission, on or before a certain date each year, to publish certain information on its Web site regarding the availability of thermal renewable energy credits and the adjustment of certain compliance fees under certain circumstances; requiring an electricity supplier, on or before a certain date each year, to submit certain thermal renewable energy credits or pay a certain compliance fee under certain circumstances; providing that an electricity supplier may not be required to comply with a certain obligation if insufficient thermal renewable energy credits are available by a certain date through a certain electronic system; setting certain compliance fees for a certain thermal renewable energy credits shortfall; requiring the Commission to establish a market-based trading system on the Internet where producers of thermal renewable energy credits may register and publish thermal renewable energy credits for sale to an electricity supplier; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; altering and repealing certain definitions; making certain clarifying changes; and generally relating to the renewable energy portfolio standard.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–701, 7–703, 7–704, 7–705(a) and (b), and 7–708

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–705(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 637 – Delegates Holmes and Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Redeemable Ground Rents

FOR the purpose of requiring a redeemable ground rent to be redeemed on the occurrence of certain events; requiring a certain default to be cured before a ground rent is redeemed under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to redeemable ground rents.

BY renumbering

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(c) through (f), respectively

to be Section 8–110(d) through (g), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 638 – Delegates Holmes and Frush

AN ACT concerning

**Natural Resources – Oysters – Shell Seeding, Shell Replenishment, and
Rotational Harvest**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to use a power dredge to harvest oysters from any natural oyster bar in the State during a certain time period, subject to certain requirements and exceptions; establishing certain harvest limits for certain natural oyster bars during certain oyster seasons; authorizing the licensed oyster harvesters of each county to elect a county commercial oyster committee; providing for the composition and chair of an oyster committee; establishing certain procedures for electing the members of an oyster committee; establishing the term of a member of an oyster committee; requiring an oyster committee to develop and submit to the Department of Natural Resources a certain rotational harvest plan on or before a certain date, beginning in a certain year; specifying the contents of a rotational harvest plan; requiring an oyster committee to mark certain oyster bars in a certain manner; authorizing the Department to mark certain oyster bars under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to close up to a certain percentage of certain oyster bars to power dredging at the request of an oyster committee, prior to a certain year; authorizing a licensed harvester to obtain shell from certain oysters from certain sources and to deposit the shell in any public shellfish fishery area, subject to certain requirements; requiring a certain licensed oyster dealer to make a certain report to the Department at a certain interval; requiring the Department to designate certain oyster bars as public seed areas based on certain information on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Department to designate a certain time when licensed oyster harvesters may remove seed oysters from certain public seed areas and deposit the seed oysters on certain oyster bars, subject to certain requirements; requiring the Department to limit by regulation the total quantity of shell seed that may be removed from a public seed area in a year; authorizing an oyster committee to designate certain oyster bars as county planting areas or county propagation areas, under certain circumstances; authorizing a licensed oyster harvester to remove certain oyster shell from a county planting area and deposit the shell on a county propagation area at a certain time, subject to certain requirements; requiring the Department to use certain surcharges and taxes in a certain manner; requiring the Department to adopt regulations to implement provisions of this Act; authorizing the Department to adopt regulations to implement certain provisions of this Act; providing that certain oyster sanctuaries and harvest reserve areas shall cease to exist on the taking effect of this Act; defining certain terms; repealing certain provisions of law; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to oysters.

BY repealing

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–1001(l), 4–1009.1, 4–1014 through 4–1014.3, 4–1015.1(c), 4–1019, and 4–1103.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY renumbering

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–1101(j) through (l), respectively

to be Section 4–1101(k) through (m), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–701(g)(1), 4–1006.2(a), 4–1009, 4–1012, 4–1019.2(b), 4–1020(c),
4–1103, 4–1106, 4–1107, 4–11A–05(b)(2)(iii), 4–11A–06(b)(2)(iii),
4–11A–07(c)(1)(iii), 4–11A–08(c)(1)(iii), 4–11A–11(d)(3), and 4–1201(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–1012.1, 4–1019, 4–1101(j), 4–1108, and 4–1109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

**House Bill 639 – Delegates Metzgar, Afzali, Cluster, Glass, Grammer, Hill,
McDonough, Miele, Reilly, Simonaire, and West**

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transportation Authority – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Maryland Transportation Authority to include certain members of the General Assembly as nonvoting members serving in an advisory capacity only; specifying certain criteria concerning the appointment, tenure, and compensation of the legislative members of the Authority; clarifying language; and generally relating to the membership of the Maryland Transportation Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 4–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 640 – Delegates Rosenberg, Carter, and Oaks

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Liberty Elementary Early Childhood
Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Baltimore for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 641 – Delegates Kelly, Barkley, Carr, Clippinger, Dumais, Frush, Hixson, Kaiser, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Moon, Morales, Pena–Melnik, Pendergrass, Platt, B. Robinson, Sample–Hughes, Tarlau, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Family Child Care – Registration Requirements for Participants in Maryland
Child Care Subsidy Program**

FOR the purpose of requiring a family child care home that participates in the Maryland Child Care Subsidy Program to register with the State Department of Education and comply with certain regulations concerning registration; altering a certain definition of “family child care provider”; and generally relating to family child care homes and family child care providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–550(a), (b), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–552 and 5–595
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 642 – Delegates Luedtke, Morales, Afzali, Barkley, Buckel, Dumais, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gutierrez, Hixson, C. Howard, Jackson, Jalisi, Kaiser, Kelly, Krimm, Moon, Platt, Reilly, Smith, Turner, A. Washington, M. Washington, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Children – Child Care Facilities, Public Schools, and Nonpublic Schools –
Contractors and Subcontractors**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain county boards of education and certain nonpublic schools from allowing certain individuals to hire or retain certain individuals who have been convicted of certain crimes and who have a certain type of access to certain students in certain circumstances; adding certain contractors and subcontractors who have a certain type of access to certain children to the list of individuals required to obtain a certain criminal history records check; amending a certain definition of “employee” to include certain contractors and subcontractors who have a certain type of access to certain children; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to contractors and subcontractors who work with or have access to children.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 2–206.1 and 6–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–560(a) and (d) and 5–561(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 5–561(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–561(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 643 – Delegates Zucker, Carozza, Ghrist, Luedtke, Proctor, Sophocleus,
and P. Young**

AN ACT concerning

Department of Human Resources – State Child Welfare System – Report

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Human Resources, on or before a certain date each year, to report to the General Assembly certain information regarding children and foster youth in the State child welfare system; requiring the Department to maintain the confidentiality of certain information, ensure that no personally identifiable information is disclosed, and disaggregate certain information in a certain manner; requiring the Department to publish certain reports on the Department's Web site; defining a certain term; and generally relating to children and foster youth in the State child welfare system.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–1301(a), (d), and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 5–1312
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 5–304(a)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 644 – Delegates Metzgar, Afzali, Glass, McDonough, Reilly, Simonaire, Szeliga, and West

AN ACT concerning

**Property Tax Credit – Elderly, Veterans, and Returning Residents
(Welcome Home, Stay at Home Act)**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City and the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to provide a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on the dwelling of certain individuals who are elderly, veterans, or recently returned to the State; providing for the amount and duration of the tax credit; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City and the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to provide for certain matters relating to the tax credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for certain individuals who are elderly, veterans, or recently returned to the State.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–257

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 645 – Delegate Kramer

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Sale of Dogs and Cats – Prohibited – Companion Animal Welfare Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the sale of dogs and cats by certain businesses and individuals under certain conditions and at certain locations; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to prohibiting the retail sale of dogs and cats.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 19–701

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 19–702 and 19–707

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 19–702.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 10–613.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 13–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 646 – Delegates Gilchrist, Barkley, and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Retirement Income

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the maximum subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain retirement income for certain taxable years; including income from certain retirement plans within a certain subtraction modification for certain retirement income under certain circumstances; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 647 – Delegates Lafferty, M. Washington, Anderson, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, and Lisanti

AN ACT concerning

Joint Insurance Association – Private Insurers – Notice

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers that deny, cancel, or nonrenew certain coverage for commercial property insurance or homeowner’s insurance to provide notice to certain applicants or insureds of the potential availability of certain insurance coverage through the Joint Insurance Association under a certain provision; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to commercial property insurance and homeowner’s insurance.

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 19–117
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 25–406, 27–602(a) and (b), and 27–603(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 648 – Delegates Haynes, B. Barnes, Hettleman, Korman, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Tuition Waiver for Full–Time Students – Partial State Reimbursement

FOR the purpose of exempting certain individuals who enroll as full–time certificate or associate’s degree students at a community college in the State from payment of tuition under certain circumstances; requiring certain individuals to apply for certain financial aid; providing the conditions under which an individual is no longer eligible for a tuition waiver; requiring certain individuals to be counted in a certain computation of State and local aid to community colleges; specifying how financial aid shall be applied for individuals who receive a tuition waiver; requiring the State to reimburse community colleges for a certain percentage of foregone tuition revenue; requiring that funds used by the State to reimburse community colleges shall be paid from the Education Trust Fund from funds allocated from a certain source; requiring certain individuals who do not satisfy certain requirements to repay the amount of the tuition waived; authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to a tuition waiver for certain individuals who enroll as full–time certificate or associate’s degree students at community colleges in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 16–106.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–30
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 649 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Clean Water Program – Report
PG 404–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George’s County Department of Environmental Resources to prepare a certain report on the county funding plan established for the Clean Water Program of Prince George’s County; requiring the report to include certain information relating to the collection and use of program funds and certain recommendations concerning residential fee structures under the program; requiring the Department to submit the report to the Prince George’s County Delegation by a certain date; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Clean Water Program of Prince George’s County.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 650 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Angel, Barron, Beidle, Bromwell, Campos, Carr, Cullison, Hayes, Hill, Kelly, Kipke, McMillan, Miele, Morhaim, Oaks, Reznik, B. Robinson, Saab, Sample–Hughes, Sophocleus, Tarlau, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Maryland’s Behavioral Health System

FOR the purpose of establishing the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Maryland’s Behavioral Health System; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring, to the extent practicable, the membership of the Commission to reflect a certain diversity; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study and make certain recommendations; requiring the Commission to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Maryland’s Behavioral Health System.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 651 – Delegates Turner, Pendergrass, Dumais, Jameson, Proctor, and Stein

AN ACT concerning

Personal Property Reports – Exemption and Affidavit

FOR the purpose of exempting a person who does not own or did not own certain property during the preceding calendar year from submitting a certain annual report on

personal property to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; requiring the person to submit a certain affidavit to the Department on or before a certain date; specifying the form and contents of the affidavit; providing that the affidavit may be submitted electronically to the Department; authorizing a person who has filed a certain affidavit with the Department to file an amended report within a certain time under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain reports to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation regarding personal property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 11–101 and 11–103(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 652 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission – Montgomery County – Commissioner Terms
MC/PG 105–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a commissioner appointed from Montgomery County who is designated as chair or vice chair of the Commission to be reappointed for two additional consecutive full terms as long as that commissioner continues to serve as chair or vice chair of the Commission; making a stylistic change; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the terms of the commissioners of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission appointed from Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 15–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 653 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission – Regulation of
Off–Highway Recreational Vehicles in Prince George’s County
MC/PG 114–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission, in conjunction with the Prince George’s County Department of Parks and Recreation, to adopt regulations governing the use of off–highway recreational vehicles on Commission property located in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 17–207
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 11–140.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 654 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Unattended Motor Vehicle – Exception to Prohibition
PG 313–15**

FOR the purpose of creating in Prince George’s County an exception for the use of a remote keyless ignition system to the prohibition against leaving a motor vehicle unattended under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the application in Prince George’s County of the prohibition against leaving a motor vehicle unattended under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–1101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 655 – Delegate Glass

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Sunday Hunting – Deer Bow Hunting Season

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to hunt deer on private property in Harford County with a bow and arrow or crossbow during open season on a certain Sunday in January, subject to certain provisions of law; and generally relating to hunting in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 656 – Delegates Korman, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gutierrez, Hixson, Lam, Lierman, McIntosh, Miele, Proctor, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, West, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Electricity – Energy Storage – Fuel Cells
(Stored Energy and Power (StEP) Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Public Service Commission to establish a pilot program to encourage the use of fuel cells for energy storage in the State; authorizing a certain generator to request to participate in the pilot program; requiring a generator that participates in the pilot program to establish a fuel cell demonstration project; authorizing the Commission to provide incentives for participation in the pilot program; authorizing the Commission to, on or before a certain date, offer an electricity supplier a credit of a certain amount toward meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard for energy from a fuel cell; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; altering the definition of “Tier 1 renewable source” to include a fuel cell that produces energy from solar, wind, or ocean; requiring that an electricity supplier receive credit toward meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard for energy stored in a fuel cell when the energy enters the electric distribution grid; requiring the Commission, in cooperation with the Maryland Energy Administration, to study the use of fuel cells for energy storage in the State; requiring that the study include certain information; requiring the Commission to

submit the study to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to fuel cells.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–211(n), 7–701(b–1), and 7–704(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–701(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–701(r)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 657 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Krebs, Barron, Cullison, and Oaks

AN ACT concerning

Pharmacists – Scope of Practice – Revisions

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain pharmacists to administer drugs or biological products under certain circumstances in accordance with certain regulations; authorizing certain pharmacists to prescribe certain medications under certain circumstances in accordance with certain protocols and certain regulations; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the authority of pharmacists to administer and prescribe medication.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–101(b) and (t)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–509 and 12–510
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 658 – Delegates Pena–Melnik, Angel, Beidle, Bromwell, Carr, Cullison, Hayes, Hill, Kelly, Kipke, Kramer, Krebs, Lam, McDonough, McMillan, Miele, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Pendergrass, Reznik, B. Robinson, Sample–Hughes, Sophocleus, Szeliga, Tarlau, and Valderrama

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; providing for the purpose of the Program; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations, collect certain fees, issue and renew certain certificates, and approve certain training programs relating to the Program; establishing qualifications for applicants for a certain certificate; requiring the Department to issue certain certificates to certain applicants; providing for the contents, replacement, term, and renewal of certain certificates; authorizing certain physicians to prescribe and certain pharmacists to dispense auto–injectable epinephrine to certain certificate holders; authorizing certain certificate holders to take certain actions; providing that a cause of action may not arise against certain certificate holders for certain acts or omissions under certain circumstances; providing that a cause of action may not arise against certain physicians who prescribe or dispense auto–injectable epinephrine and certain paraphernalia to certain certificate holders under certain circumstances; providing that a cause of action may not arise against certain pharmacists who dispense auto–injectable epinephrine and certain paraphernalia to certain certificate holders under certain circumstances; providing for immunity from civil liability for certain individuals under certain circumstances; providing for the effect of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the construction of this Act; requiring certain certificate holders to submit to the Department a certain report; requiring the Department to publish a certain report on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 13–7A–01 through 13–7A–10 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7A. Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 659 – Delegates Anderson and McComas

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Maryland Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Attorney General to take certain steps to identify, collect, and publish in a certain manner certain laws that impose a certain collateral sanction on a person who is convicted of a certain offense; requiring a State’s Attorney to provide certain information to a person charged with a certain offense; requiring a court to confirm that a certain notice has been received and is understood by a certain person; providing that a new collateral sanction may be imposed only by a certain procedure; requiring a certain decision maker to take certain steps in making a certain determination; providing for the construction of a case disposition from another jurisdiction; authorizing a certain petition for a certain order of limited relief; authorizing a certain petition for a certain order for a certain certificate of restoration of rights; providing that a certain order may not be issued for a certain purpose; requiring a certain sentencing court or the Maryland Parole Commission to make a certain notification, issue a certain order, or impose a certain condition; authorizing a sentencing court or the Commission to restrict or revoke a certain order under certain circumstances; authorizing the court and the Commission to issue a certain order under certain circumstances; authorizing the introduction of a certain certificate at a certain judicial or administrative hearing; providing for participation by a certain victim in a certain proceeding; providing for the construction of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the citation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the collateral consequences of a conviction.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–301 through 10–317 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Maryland Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 660 – Delegates Zucker, Barron, Bromwell, Cullison, Hayes, Kaiser, Kelly, Kipke, Luedtke, Miele, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnik, Reznik, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Expense Reimbursement Claims Forms – Methods for Submission

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to permit an insured, a subscriber, or a member to submit a claim for reimbursement for certain expenses by first–class mail and by

facsimile transmission or through a certain Web site; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide a certain notice and certain instructions; specifying when certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations must comply with this Act; and generally relating to submission of claims forms under health insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–1011

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 661 – Delegates Zucker, Barron, Bromwell, Cullison, Hill, Kaiser, Kelly, Kipke, Luedtke, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Reznik, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Birth Registrations – Notice of Placement of Security Freezes

FOR the purpose of requiring the administrative head of a certain institution or a designee of the administrative head or the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide a certain notice to the mother, father, or legal guardian of a child relating to security freezes under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide a certain notice relating to security freezes on a certain form provided by the Secretary; requiring the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General to prepare a notice that explains how to request a consumer reporting agency to place a security freeze on a file relating to an individual under a certain age and the benefits of having a freeze on a certain credit file; and generally relating to security freeze information provided to the mother, father, or legal guardian of a child at the time of registration of the birth of the child.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 4–208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 662 – Delegates Cullison and Reznik

AN ACT concerning

**Consultation, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Mental and Emotional Disorders –
Consent by Minors**

FOR the purpose of altering the health care providers who provide consultation, diagnosis, and treatment of a mental or emotional disorder to which certain minors have the same capacity as an adult to consent; providing that the capacity to consent does not include the capacity to refuse consultation, diagnosis, or treatment for a mental or emotional disorder by certain health care providers for which a certain individual has given consent; authorizing, except under certain circumstances, certain health care providers to give certain individuals information about treatment needed by or provided to a minor under a certain provision of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the consent of minors to consultation, diagnosis, and treatment of mental and emotional disorders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 20–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

**House Bill 663 – Delegates Healey, Gaines, Moon, Patterson, Platt, Rosenberg,
Tarlau, A. Washington, and M. Washington**

AN ACT concerning

Business Relief and Tax Fairness Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from imposing a certain fee for the filing of certain documents by certain corporations and business entities; requiring certain corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain method; authorizing certain corporations, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, to determine certain income using a certain method; requiring, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, certain groups of corporations to file a combined income tax return reflecting the aggregate income tax liability of all the members of the group; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; requiring certain regulations to be consistent with certain regulations adopted by the Multistate Tax Commission; requiring the Comptroller to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to fees collected by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation and the Maryland corporate income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(b)(3)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–402.1 and 10–402.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–811
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 664 – Delegates Krimm and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Frederick County Property Tax Fairness Act of 2015
(Strengthening Frederick Municipalities)**

FOR the purpose of removing Frederick County from the list of counties required to grant certain property tax setoffs to municipal corporations within the county in a certain manner; requiring the governing body of Frederick County to annually meet and discuss with the governing body of each municipal corporation in the county the county property tax rate to be set for assessments of property in the municipal corporation; requiring Frederick County to grant a property tax setoff to a municipal corporation in accordance with a formula agreed to by the county and the municipal corporation if the municipal corporation performs services or programs instead of similar county services or programs; requiring the county and a municipal corporation to agree to phase in any increase in a property tax setoff above a certain level over a certain period of time; requiring the county to conduct a study of services or programs provided by the municipal corporations instead of county services or programs before property tax setoffs for a certain fiscal year may be established; defining a certain term; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to property tax setoffs in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 6–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 6–305.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 665 – Delegates K. Young and Krimm

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Biosafety Level 3 (BSL–3)
Laboratory Safety Program**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Biosafety Level 3 (BSL–3) Laboratory Safety Program; requiring the Program to identify certain BSL–3 laboratories in the State and their locations and collect certain other information regarding safety issues relevant to BSL–3 laboratories; requiring certain BSL–3 laboratories in the State to report certain information to the Program; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to report annually to the General Assembly and certain local jurisdictions in a certain manner certain aggregate information regarding BSL–3 laboratories in the State; providing that certain information prepared for and maintained by the Program shall be confidential and is not subject to the public information law; providing for certain penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the establishment of the Biosafety Level 3 (BSL–3) Laboratory Safety Program.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 17–701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Biosafety Level 3
(BSL–3) Laboratory Safety Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 666 – Delegates Miele, Krebs, Pena–Melnyk, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Trust Act – Revocable Trusts – Creditors’ Claims – Limitations

FOR the purpose of providing that, under certain circumstances, property of a certain revocable trust is not subject to, and a trustee and beneficiaries of that trust may not be held liable for, certain claims of creditors of the settlor; providing that, if a certain proceeding has not been commenced, the publication of certain notice by a certain trustee in a certain manner shall afford the trust property, the trustee, and the trust beneficiaries certain protections under certain provisions of law barring certain claims after a certain period of time; barring certain claims against the trust property, the trustee, and the trust beneficiaries unless, within a certain time period, a certain creditor files a certain action and serves certain notice on the trustee or presents to the trustee a certain claim; providing that a claim may not be deemed to have been presented to the trustee under certain circumstances; providing that, except under certain circumstances, a claimant is forever barred to the extent of a certain disallowance; and generally relating to certain creditors' claims against certain trust property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–508
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 667 – Delegates A. Miller, Barron, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frush, Hixson, Jones, Krimm, Lam, Miele, Platt, Valderrama, C. Wilson, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education Institutions – Sexual Assault, Violence, and Stalking –
Prevention and Outreach Policies**

FOR the purpose of requiring the governing board of each public senior higher education institution and the board of trustees of each community college to adopt a written policy on sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and submit the policy to the Maryland Higher Education Commission on or before a certain date; making the policy applicable to student activity on and off campus; requiring the policy to include certain procedures and a certain statement; requiring certain governing boards and boards of trustees to adopt certain other policies and programs that are aligned with certain standards and to implement certain prevention and outreach programs on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking policies and procedures at institutions of higher education in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Education

Section 11–601, 11–603, and 11–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 668 – Delegates McConkey, Gaines, Gutierrez, Kipke, Pena–Melnyk,
Proctor, Sophocleus, and Tarlau**

AN ACT concerning

**Education – Due Process Hearings for Children With Disabilities – Attorney’s
Fees**

FOR the purpose of requiring an administrative law judge or a court to award reasonable attorney’s fees to a prevailing parent in certain due process hearings relating to the provision of a free appropriate public education to children with disabilities; and generally relating to due process hearings for children with disabilities and the award of attorney’s fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–413
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 669 – Delegates Tarlau and Fennell

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Establishment of a Senior Volunteer Corps

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Establishment of a Senior Volunteer Corps; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and

generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Establishment of a Senior Volunteer Corps.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 670 – Delegates Frick, Barkley, Kelly, Lam, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Consumer Protection – Ticket Transfers

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a ticket seller or an operator of a ticket seller's Web site from prohibiting the transfer of a certain ticket, requiring an additional fee for the transfer of a certain ticket, or requiring a purchaser of a ticket to present certain identification or a certain credit card to gain entry to an entertainment event; and generally relating to the purchase and transfer of tickets.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–4001

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–4002.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 671 – Prince George's County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on the Creation of a Juvenile Assessment Center and Constructive Alternatives to Managing Youth at Risk of Delinquency in Prince George's

County

PG 306–15

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on the Creation of a Juvenile Assessment Center and Constructive Alternatives to Managing Youth at Risk of Delinquency in Prince George's County; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to identify, study, and report on certain issues, hold certain meetings, and make certain recommendations; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and

recommendations to the Prince George's County Delegation to the House of Delegates on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on the Creation of a Juvenile Assessment Center and Constructive Alternatives to Managing Youth at Risk of Delinquency in Prince George's County.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 672 – Delegates Jones, Patterson, D. Barnes, Branch, Carter, Conaway, Davis, Ebersole, Fennell, Hixson, C. Howard, Jackson, Jameson, Kaiser, Rey, B. Robinson, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Maryland College Education Export Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to enter into the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement; exempting certain institutions that participate in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement from a certain requirement to register with the Commission under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–105(m) and 11–202.2(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 673 – Delegates Haynes, B. Barnes, Hettleman, Korman, Sydnor, Turner, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Tuition Waiver for Full–Time Students – Full State Reimbursement

FOR the purpose of exempting certain individuals who enroll as full–time certificate or associate's degree students at a community college in the State from payment of tuition under certain circumstances; requiring certain individuals to apply for certain financial aid; providing the conditions under which an individual is no longer eligible for a tuition waiver; requiring certain individuals to be counted in a certain computation of State and local aid to community colleges; specifying how financial aid shall be applied for individuals who receive a tuition waiver; requiring the State to reimburse community colleges for certain foregone tuition revenue; requiring that funds used to reimburse community colleges shall be paid from the Education Trust

Fund from funds allocated from a certain source; requiring certain individuals who do not satisfy certain requirements to repay the amount of the tuition waived; authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to a tuition waiver for certain individuals who enroll as full-time certificate or associate's degree students at community colleges in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 16–106.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9–1A–30

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 674 – Delegates Barron, Angel, Hayes, Hill, Luedtke, McDonough, Oaks, Pena–Melynk, Reznik, Sample–Hughes, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Public Information Act – List of Contact Information for Governmental Unit Representatives

FOR the purpose of requiring certain governmental entities to identify a representative who a member of the public should contact to request a public record, maintain certain contact information, post the information on the unit's Web site or keep the information in a certain place, and annually update the information and submit it to the Office of the Attorney General; requiring the Office to post certain information on the Office's Web site and include certain information in a certain manual; and generally relating to a list of contact information for representatives of governmental units that maintain public records.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–503

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 675 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission Reform Act of 2015
MC/PG 104–15**

FOR the purpose of establishing that the Maryland Youth Camp Act and the regulations issued under the Act apply to programs and activities directed or operated by the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission in Prince George’s County; altering a certain defined term to repeal the authority of the Commission to receive funds and determine an annual program in Prince George’s County under Program Open Space; prohibiting the Commission from purchasing certain interests or rights in real property in Prince George’s County for the preservation of open space without the prior approval of the Prince George’s County Council acting in a certain capacity; repealing the delegation to the Commission of the authority granted to Prince George’s County relating to the Patuxent River Watershed plan; requiring the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George’s County to charge the Commission a certain recordation fee; repealing an exemption from State requirements for public improvements for Commission projects in Prince George’s County; requiring the Office of Legislative Audits in the Department of Legislative Services to conduct a certain performance audit of the Commission on request of a certain person; requiring the Department, on or before a certain date, to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the Commission’s operations and activities relating to Prince George’s County and to submit a certain report to the General Assembly; requiring the Department to conduct a certain subsequent evaluation on request of a certain person; requiring the Commission during a certain evaluation to promptly provide certain information and cooperate with the Department to carry out certain requirements; authorizing the Commission to provide certain information in a format that protects the confidentiality of individuals; requiring the Department to follow procedures to maintain the confidentiality of certain information, documents, or proceedings; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the powers of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 14–402(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 14–411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–901(a) and 5–903(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–901(g), 5–1202(a), 8–1301, and 8–1304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 3–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 4–402(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–1201(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 2–1220(g) and 2–1250
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 676 – Delegate Glenn

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education Investment Tax Credit Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Higher Education Investment Tax Credit Program to authorize tax credits against the State income tax, public service company franchise tax, and insurance premium tax for certain donations to certain eligible higher

education institutions; stating the purpose of the Program; requiring the donations to be used for certain purposes in certain areas; authorizing, each year, the Maryland Higher Education Commission to allocate up to a certain amount of tax credits to eligible higher education institutions; requiring the Commission to adopt a competitive application process to award the tax credits; requiring the application to include certain information; establishing a process for the issuance of tax credit certificates; providing for the amount of the tax credit; providing that the tax credit allowed for any taxable year may not exceed the amount of tax otherwise payable; providing for the carry forward of excess tax credits; requiring certain entities to provide certain reports; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to tax credits for certain donations to certain higher education institutions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 1–101(a) and (f) and 10–101(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 17–401 through 17–406 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Higher Education Investment Tax Credit”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 8–418 and 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 6–123
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 677 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Independent Review Board – Refunds

MC/PG 106–15

FOR the purpose of limiting the conditions under which a person may file a written claim with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for a refund of the amount that exceeds the amount that is properly and legally payable; establishing an Independent Review Board to investigate and arbitrate certain billing disputes between the Commission and customers in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District; providing for the membership, terms, duties, and staffing of the Board; providing for the designation of a chair; prohibiting a member of the Board from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; authorizing a person to file a written claim with the Board for a certain refund of the amount of a certain fee or charge the person paid to the Commission that exceeds the amount that is properly and legally payable if the person contends that the fee or charge is at least a certain percentage higher than an average bill; authorizing a certain new owner of property to file a claim for refund under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to investigate the merits of a certain claim and arbitrate the claim between the Commission and the claimant; requiring the Board to hold a hearing on the claim under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to order the Commission to refund a certain amount to a claimant under certain circumstances; providing that a certain claim shall be disallowed unless it is filed within a certain time period; requiring the Commission to pay certain interest on an amount refunded under certain circumstances; providing that the failure of the Board to reach a final decision on a certain claim within a certain time period shall be deemed a final rejection of the claim; authorizing a petition for judicial review to be filed within a certain time after the date of final action by the Board under certain circumstances; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Board; defining certain terms; and generally relating to refunds of excess amounts of certain fees and charges paid to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 25–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 25–106.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 678 – Delegates Valentino–Smith, A. Washington, D. Barnes, Barron, Campos, Davis, Gaines, C. Howard, Kelly, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Smith, Sydnor, Valderrama, Vaughn, and Walker

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Fiscal Notes – Criminal Justice Policy Impact Statements

FOR the purpose of requiring a fiscal note for a bill to include a criminal justice policy impact statement under certain circumstances; requiring the criminal justice policy impact statement to contain certain information; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to prepare the criminal justice policy impact statement by requesting certain information from certain entities; prohibiting certain entities from being required to prepare information for inclusion in the criminal justice policy impact statement; prohibiting the Department from being required to make a certain determination beyond reporting data provided under a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to criminal justice policy impact statements in fiscal notes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–1505(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 679 – Delegates Moon, S. Robinson, Carr, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Lam, Luedtke, Metzgar, A. Miller, Platt, Smith, Tarlau, Walker, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Primary and Secondary Education – Health and Safety – Chemical–Free Schools Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain public schools and certain local school systems from purchasing, selling, or serving certain foods that contain certain ingredients or certain chemicals under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the Chemical–Free Schools Act.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–423.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 680 – Delegates Moon, Vallario, Carter, Jalisi, Morales, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Evidence – Conviction for Traffic Offense – Admissibility in Civil Proceeding

FOR the purpose of providing that evidence of a conviction for a traffic offense may be admitted as evidence in a civil proceeding to prove certain facts under certain circumstances; requiring the trier of fact to determine the weight to be accorded evidence of a conviction for a traffic offense that is admitted as evidence under this Act; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the admissibility of evidence of a conviction for a traffic offense in a civil proceeding for certain purposes.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10–923

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 681 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Municipal Tax Setoff – Report
PG 417–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the governing body of Prince George’s County, on or before a certain date each year, to complete a report concerning the county’s municipal tax setoffs that includes certain information; requiring the report to be made available in a certain manner; and generally relating to municipal tax setoffs in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 6–305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 682 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, B. Barnes, Carr, Frush, Gaines, Tarlau,
and A. Washington**

AN ACT concerning

**Municipalities – Charter Amendments – Referendum and Signatures Required
for Petitions**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the legislative body of a municipality to adopt a charter amendment that authorizes the legislative body of the municipality to submit a proposed charter amendment to a certain referendum on or after the percentage of signatures of registered voters in a municipality necessary to petition a proposed charter amendment to a referendum or to initiate a proposed charter amendment; and generally relating to municipal charter amendments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 4–304 and 4–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 4–306.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 683 – Delegates Reznik, Barron, Cullison, Hayes, Hill, Kelly, Kipke, Krebs, McDonough, McMillan, Miele, Morgan, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Saab, Sample–Hughes, West, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Magnetic Resonance Imaging Services and Computed Tomography Scan Services – Patient Referrals

FOR the purpose of authorizing, under certain circumstances, a health care practitioner to refer or direct certain other persons to refer a patient for magnetic resonance imaging services or computed tomography scan services to a health care entity to which the patient otherwise could not be referred under a certain provision of law; requiring a health care practitioner, under certain circumstances, to include certain information in a written statement required under a certain provision of law; requiring a health care entity, under certain circumstances, to maintain a certain accreditation, conform the manner in which the health care entity provides certain services to certain standards, maintain evidence of a certain accreditation at certain locations, make certain evidence available for inspection on request of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and notify the Maryland Health Care Commission within a certain time period that the entity is being referred patients under a certain provision of this Act; making conforming changes; requiring the Commission to conduct a certain study of the provision of magnetic resonance imaging services and computed tomography scan services by certain health care entities; requiring the Commission to submit the results of the study to the General

Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the referral of patients for magnetic resonance imaging services and computed tomography scan services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–302.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 684 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Homeowner’s Insurance – Underwriting Standards – Deductibles

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that an insurer that issues a policy of homeowner’s insurance file with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner for approval a certain underwriting standard that requires a certain deductible under certain circumstances before the insurer may implement the underwriting standard; requiring an insurer that issues a policy of homeowner’s insurance to file for information with the Commissioner a certain underwriting standard that requires a certain deductible under certain circumstances at least a certain period of time before the insurer proposes to implement the underwriting standard; altering the contents of a certain filing; repealing a provision of law that prohibits a certain underwriting standard from taking effect until a certain period of time has passed; repealing the authority of the Commissioner to take certain actions with regard to a certain underwriting standard during certain periods of time; repealing a provision of law that a certain filing is deemed approved unless disapproved by the Commissioner during certain periods of time; authorizing an insurer to adopt a certain underwriting standard that requires a certain deductible under certain circumstances if the deductible applies only during a certain period of time and regardless of where the insured’s home is located in the State; requiring an insurer to send a copy of a certain form to the Commissioner for information under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to underwriting standards and deductibles under homeowner’s insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–209

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 685 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Homeowner’s Insurance – Coverage for Loss Caused by Water Damage

FOR the purpose of requiring insurers that issue, sell, or deliver policies of homeowner’s insurance to make available, rather than to offer in writing to provide at certain times, coverage for loss that is caused by certain water damage under certain circumstances; requiring the coverage to be made available in at least a certain amount; authorizing insurers that make certain coverage available to offer certain other coverage in a certain amount, notwithstanding any other law or regulation; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to coverage for loss caused by water damage under homeowner’s insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 686 – Delegates C. Wilson, Afzali, Beidle, Bromwell, Brooks, Carozza, Chang, Davis, Dumais, Hill, S. Howard, Kramer, Lam, McConkey, McDonough, McKay, O’Donnell, Otto, Proctor, Reznik, Smith, Sophocleus, and Vogt

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Checkoff – Maryland Veterans Trust Fund

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain income tax checkoff system for voluntary contributions to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund; requiring the Comptroller to include a checkoff on the individual income tax return; providing that the income tax checkoff system include a certain statement; requiring the Comptroller to include certain information in each individual income tax return package; requiring the Comptroller to collect and account for contributions made through the checkoff system and to credit the proceeds to the Fund after deducting the amount necessary to administer the checkoff system; providing that the Fund may consist of certain contributions from the income tax checkoff system and certain other money;

providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax checkoff system for contributions to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 2–115 and 10–804(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–913(e), (f), (h), and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–913(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 687 – Delegates B. Barnes, Campos, Frush, Jackson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Public Health – Religious Exemptions from Immunization Requirements –
Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing the prohibition against the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene requiring the immunization of an individual under certain circumstances; repealing the requirement that the Department adopt rules and regulations for religious exemptions under a certain provision of law; and generally relating to religious exemptions from immunization requirements.

BY repealing

Article – Health – General
Section 18–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 688 – Delegates Afzali and Ciliberti

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Helen Smith Studio

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Luce Fund for Children, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 689 – Delegates Carozza and Otto

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Craft Distillery License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class 9 craft distillery license in Worcester County; setting a license fee; providing that the State Comptroller issue the Class 9 license only to a holder of a Class D beer, wine and liquor license in the County for use on the premises for which the Class D license was issued; authorizing a holder of a Class 9 license to establish and operate a plant for distilling and bottling brandy, rum, whiskey, alcohol, and neutral spirits under certain circumstances; authorizing a holder of Class 9 license to acquire bulk alcoholic beverages, to store, sell, and deliver product, to conduct guided tours, and to serve a certain number of samples to certain persons; prohibiting a holder of a Class 9 license from taking certain actions; requiring a holder of a Class 9 license to abide by all trade practice restrictions applicable to distilleries; requiring a holder of a Class 9 license to take certain actions to distill more than a certain amount of gallonage; and generally relating to Class 9 distillery licenses in Worcester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–201(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 690 – Delegates Krimm, Carr, McComas, Platt, B. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Property Tax Fairness Act of 2015
(Strengthening Maryland Municipalities)**

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law requiring or authorizing certain counties to grant property tax setoffs to municipal corporations within the county; requiring a county to grant a property tax setoff to a municipal corporation in accordance with a formula agreed to by the county and the municipal corporation if the municipal corporation performs services or programs instead of similar county services or programs; authorizing a county and a municipal corporation to agree to phase in any increase in a property tax setoff above a certain level over a certain period of time; requiring a county that contains municipal corporations to conduct a study of services or programs provided by the municipal corporations instead of county services or programs before the property tax setoffs for a certain fiscal year may be established; making clarifying and conforming changes; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to property tax setoffs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 6–305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Tax – Property

Section 6–306

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 691 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Homeowner’s Insurance – Notices to Policyholders – Required

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an insurer from issuing, delivering, or renewing a policy of homeowner’s insurance in the State on or after a certain date unless the policy is accompanied by a certain notice; providing for the contents of the notice; providing that certain notice is not considered a replacement for certain terms, does not have the effect of altering certain coverage, and does not confer certain rights; requiring

the notice to expressly state certain information; providing that the notice does not create a private right of action; requiring the insurer to provide the notice to the policyholder at certain times; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to adopt a certain template by regulation; authorizing an insurer to provide certain notice in a certain manner; authorizing an insurer to develop certain notice under certain circumstances; requiring an insurer to file a certain form with the Insurance Administration under certain circumstances; authorizing certain notice to be delivered by electronic means in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain insurers to provide a certain annual statement about certain coverages and exclusions in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain insurers to provide a certain notice about losses from flood in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain insurers to provide certain notice about coverage for losses caused by certain dogs in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain insurers to provide a certain statement that lists certain additional optional coverages in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain insurers to provide certain notice about certain deductibles in a certain manner and to submit a certain form to the Commissioner at a certain time; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain insurers to provide certain notice about certain premium discounts in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions of law requiring certain insurers to provide certain notice about cancellation or refusal to renew certain coverage on the basis of certain claims or certain changes in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain insurers to provide certain notice about anti-concurrent causation clauses in a certain manner; and generally relating to insurers providing notices to policyholders about homeowner's insurance.

BY repealing

Article – Insurance

Section 19–205, 19–206, 19–206.1, 19–207, 19–214, and 19–215

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 19–205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–209 and 19–210

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 692 – Delegates Frick, A. Washington, Afzali, Barkley, Bromwell, Chang, Conaway, Jones, Kaiser, Kelly, Lam, McDonough, Platt, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, C. Wilson, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

College Savings Plans of Maryland – Maryland College Savings Account Plan – Authorization

FOR the purpose of authorizing the College Savings Plans of Maryland Board to establish the Maryland College Savings Account Plan for certain purposes; requiring the Board to oversee the administration of the Savings Account Plan; requiring the Board to maintain the Savings Account Plan in compliance with certain standards for qualified tuition programs; requiring the Board to adopt certain procedures; requiring the Board to issue certain statements to account holders at least once each year; authorizing the Board to issue certain requests for proposals; requiring the Board to consider proposals that meet certain criteria; authorizing the Board to require certain fees; establishing certain limitations and requirements for contributions to and administration of the Savings Account Plan; establishing participation and distribution requirements; providing that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State is pledged to the payment of debts, contracts, and obligations of the Savings Account Plan; providing that certain entities are not liable for certain losses; prohibiting certain money from being considered or commingled with certain money or deposited in the State Treasury; exempting certain entities and accounts from the Insurance Article; providing that the assets and the income of the Savings Account Plan are exempt from State and local taxation; prohibiting a person from seizing a certain benefit or asset; requiring certain audits; allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain contributions to an account under the Savings Account Plan; allowing certain amounts disallowed under the subtraction modification as a result of a certain limitation to be carried over and subtracted for succeeding taxable years; requiring an addition modification for certain distributions made under certain accounts; allowing a subtraction modification for certain distributions from certain accounts; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the College Savings Plans of Maryland and Maryland College Savings Account Plan.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–1901, 18–1902.1, 18–1904(b), 18–1905, 18–19A–05, and 18–19B–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–19C–01 through 18–19C–08 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 19C. Maryland College Savings Account Plan”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–205(a), 10–207(a), and 10–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–205(h), 10–207(s), and 10–208(o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 693 – Delegates M. Washington, Anderson, Clippinger, Cullison, Gaines, Ghrist, Hayes, Kipke, McCray, A. Miller, Moon, Oaks, B. Robinson, Turner, Waldstreicher, and West

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Cottage Food Businesses – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering the limit on the amount of annual revenue that is used for the purpose of defining “cottage food business”; prohibiting counties and municipal corporations from limiting cottage food businesses to selling cottage food products only at farmers markets; requiring counties and municipal corporations, under certain circumstances, to accept a State cottage food business permit in lieu of a certain license or permit; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations relating to cottage food businesses; making a conforming change; and generally relating to cottage food businesses.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–301(a) and (b–2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–301(b–1) and 21–330.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 694 – Delegates Jackson, Angel, Barkley, D. Barnes, Barron, Buckel, Carter, Chang, Clippinger, Cluster, Fennell, Frush, Ghrist, Glenn, Haynes, Hettleman, Hill, Jalisi, Knotts, Lam, Luedtke, McConkey, McKay, O'Donnell, Patterson, B. Robinson, Sophocleus, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino-Smith, Vaughn, Vogt, Walker, A. Washington, C. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

**Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – Division of Parole and Probation –
Warrant Apprehension Unit Employees – Membership**

FOR the purpose of providing for the membership of employees of the Warrant Apprehension Unit in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; authorizing certain employees of the Warrant Apprehension Unit to transfer membership to the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System by a certain date; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer certain funds to the accumulation fund of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; requiring certain members of the Warrant Apprehension Unit to deposit certain amounts in the annuity savings fund of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; and generally relating to membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 6–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 26–201(a), 26–202, and 26–203.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 26–203.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 695 – Delegates C. Wilson, Hill, Kramer, McConkey, Otto, Proctor, Smith, Sophocleus, and Walker

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Vertical Reciprocating Conveyors – Safety Standards

FOR the purpose of providing that vertical reciprocating conveyors are not considered elevators for certain purposes and are regulated by certain safety standards; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to safety standards for vertical reciprocating conveyors.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–801(a), (g), and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–801(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–805
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 696 – Delegates Haynes and Frush

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Education Opportunity Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of exempting certain individuals from payment of tuition to attend a community college in the State under certain circumstances; providing a certain discount on tuition to certain individuals attending a community college in the State under certain circumstances; requiring certain individuals to apply for certain financial aid; providing for the duration of the tuition waiver and the tuition discount; requiring certain individuals to be counted in a certain computation of State and local aid to community colleges; specifying how financial aid shall be applied for individuals who receive a tuition waiver or a tuition discount; requiring the State to reimburse community colleges for certain foregone tuition revenue; requiring that funds used to reimburse community colleges shall be paid from the Education Trust Fund from funds allocated from a certain source; authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining a

certain term; and generally relating to a tuition waiver and a tuition discount for certain individuals at community colleges in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 16–106.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–30
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 697 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

Life Insurers – Reserve Investments – Loans Secured by Real Estate

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum term of certain loans on certain real estate that may be included in the reserve investments of life insurers; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the reserve investments of life insurers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance
Section 5–511(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 698 – Delegates Reznik, Hammen, Morhaim, and Pena–Melnyk

AN ACT concerning

Reorganization of State Procurement

FOR the purpose of reorganizing State procurement by establishing a Chief Procurement Officer to control and oversee all State procurement activity for which certain provisions of law apply; repealing the definition and role of primary procurement units; requiring a procurement by a unit to replace or supplement certain energy-consuming equipment to be under the oversight of the Chief Procurement

Officer; requiring the Board of Public Works to ensure that regulations for State procurement provide for procedures that are consistent with certain provisions of law; authorizing the Board to require Board approval for procurement actions of more than a certain dollar amount; requiring the Chief Procurement Officer to retain oversight of certain procurements that are conducted under certain authority or do not require certain Board approval; requiring certain actions of the Board to prevail if the action conflicts with the action of certain units; repealing the position of Procurement Advisor, transferring the duties of the Procurement Advisor to the Chief Procurement Officer, and clarifying certain duties; requiring the Chief Procurement Officer to develop regulations to implement certain provisions of law, delegate control of certain procurement activities to certain units, develop certain metrics and implement strategic sourcing under certain circumstances, advise the General Assembly on certain legislation, manage eMaryland Marketplace, coordinate with certain governmental entities and certain local entities to maximize use of certain intergovernmental cooperative purchasing agreements, and employ certain staff in accordance with the State budget; requiring a certain reporting requirement to include a summary of certain procurement activity; requiring that the Chief Procurement Officer have certain access to heads of agencies conducting procurements for which certain provisions of law do not apply; requiring the Chief Procurement Officer to consult with the Maryland Energy Administration before issuing a request for proposals for an energy performance contract; authorizing the Chief Procurement Officer to establish certain fees for eMaryland Marketplace as approved by the Board; requiring a unit to make small procurements in accordance with regulations developed by the Chief Procurement Officer and adopted by the Board; authorizing a unit to become a party or participate in an intergovernmental cooperative purchasing agreement if a certain determination is made under the oversight of the Chief Procurement Officer; authorizing a unit to seek bids for certain procurements by issuing an invitation for auction bids under the oversight of the Chief Procurement Officer; authorizing a procurement officer to award a procurement based on revised bids under certain circumstances and the oversight of the Chief Procurement Officer; authorizing a unit under the oversight of the Chief Procurement Officer to provide for prequalification of certain persons for procurement other than leases of real property; authorizing a unit to enter into multi-year contracts subject to certain regulations developed by the Chief Procurement Officer and approved by the Board; requiring that multi-year contracts be subject to review and approval by the Chief Procurement Officer; requiring procurement contracts to include clauses covering certain termination by the State if the head of a unit, under the oversight of the Chief Procurement Officer, determines that termination is appropriate; authorizing a unit under the oversight of the Chief Procurement Officer to withhold certain payment under certain circumstances; authorizing a unit, under the oversight of the Chief Procurement Officer, to conduct procurement by electronic means as provided under certain provisions of law; requiring a unit to submit a certain report to the Governor and General Assembly within a certain period of time each fiscal year; requiring certain protests or contract claims to be submitted within a certain time required under certain regulations developed by the Chief Procurement Officer and adopted by the Board; repealing provisions of law requiring certain jurisdiction and control by

certain units over certain types of procurement; repealing provisions of law requiring the adoption of certain regulations by certain units; repealing obsolete provisions of law; altering certain definitions; requiring the Chief Procurement Officer to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the General Counsel to the Board and the Office of the Attorney General to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Board and the Department of Budget and Management to establish certain job titles and classifications for certain procurement staff and report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Chief Procurement Officer to utilize certain staff and transfer certain staff to assist in carrying out certain duties; and generally relating to State procurement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 4–801(g), 4–804, 11–101, 12–101, 12–102, 12–105, 12–110, 12–301, 13–101, 13–102.1, 13–109, 13–110, 13–111, 13–204, 13–217, 13–218, 13–225, 13–226, 15–111, 15–216, and 15–217

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 12–107 and 12–108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 699 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Insurance and Workers' Compensation Insurance – Notice of Premium Increase

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain notice required under certain circumstances when an insurer seeks to increase the renewal policy premium for certain policies of commercial insurance or workers' compensation insurance to be delivered by electronic means in accordance with certain provisions of law; providing that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, an insurer shall be considered to have met a certain notice requirement and is not required to deliver a certain notice required by certain provisions of law if the insurer has taken certain actions; altering the time period in which a certain notice of the availability of the renewal policy must be sent to any independent insurance producer for an insurer to meet a certain notice requirement; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to notices of premium increases for policies of commercial insurance and policies of workers' compensation insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 27–608
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 700 – Delegate Jameson

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Insurance Commissioner – Prior Approval Rate Making – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of exempting from the prior approval rate making process certain kinds of insurance and certain types of insurance coverage; and generally relating to approval of insurance rates and forms by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11–206(a)(1), (f), and (g)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 701 – Delegates S. Robinson, Angel, Barkley, Beidle, Campos, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gaines, Hettleman, Kelly, Lam, Lierman, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Cattle, Swine, and Poultry – Use of Antimicrobial Drugs

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from engaging in the nontherapeutic use of certain antimicrobial drugs in certain cattle, swine, and poultry on or after a certain date; requiring a certain farm operation to submit certain information under certain circumstances to the Department of Agriculture on or before a certain date each year, beginning on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year, beginning on or before a certain date; authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to impose a certain penalty;

providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the use of antimicrobial drugs in cattle, swine, and poultry.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 3–1001 through 3–1005 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Use of Antimicrobial Drugs”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 702 – Delegates Jones, Frick, Anderson, Chang, Glenn, Gutierrez, Haynes, Platt, Proctor, Sophocleus, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Programs to Improve Employee to Supervisor or Manager Ratios

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management and the Secretary of Transportation to establish goals and standards for the ratio of employees to supervisors or managers; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management, the Secretary of Transportation, and the governing boards of State institutions of higher education to establish a program to improve the ratio of certain State employees to supervisors or managers beginning on certain dates; specifying certain goals for establishing reasonable ratios of certain State employees to certain supervisors or managers; requiring the waiver of certain program requirements under certain circumstances; requiring certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; providing for the contents of the reports; and generally relating to programs to improve the ratio of State employees to supervisors or managers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 4–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 2–103.4(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 2–103.4(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 12–111(d), 14–104(h)(5), 14–408(d), and 16–510(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 703 – Delegates Miele, Pena–Melnyk, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Maryland Trust Act – Incapacity

FOR the purpose of defining certain terms for purposes of the Maryland Trust Act; clarifying that a revocable trust does not become irrevocable if the settlor loses the capacity to create a will; and generally relating to the Maryland Trust Act.

BY renumbering
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–103(k) through (z), respectively
to be Section 14.5–103(m) through (bb), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–103(k) and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 704 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George's County – Authority to Prohibit the Use of Disposable Bags
PG 403–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing Prince George's County to enact a law that prohibits certain retail establishments from using disposable bags as part of a retail sale of products; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the authority for Prince George's County to prohibit the use of disposable bags.

BY adding to

Article – Local Government

Section 13–1001 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Miscellaneous Provisions”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation and the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 705 – Prince George's County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George's County – Alcoholic Beverages – Penalties
PG 304–15**

FOR the purpose of altering the penalties that the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners may impose for a violation that is cause for suspension or revocation of a license under certain alcoholic beverages laws; authorizing the imposition of a certain penalty for a subsequent offense; and generally relating to penalties for alcoholic beverages in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16–507(r)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 706 – Prince George's County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George's County – Alternatives to Suspension Pilot Program –
Establishment
PG 412–15**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Alternatives to Suspension Pilot Program in Prince George's County and identifying the purpose of the Program; providing for the duration of the Program; requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to select a certain number of high schools in Prince George's County to participate in the Program; prohibiting certain principals of certain high schools from suspending a student or recommending a student for expulsion except under certain circumstances; requiring certain principals of certain high schools to require certain students to complete community service under certain circumstances; requiring the county board to partner with certain nonprofit organizations, county agencies, or county departments to facilitate the Program; requiring the county board to adopt certain rules and regulations; requiring the county board to make a certain report on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Alternatives to Suspension Pilot Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–305(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–305.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 707 – Prince George's County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County – Board of Education – Issuance of Credit Cards – Prohibition PG 411–15

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Prince George's County Board of Education from issuing a credit card to a member of the county board; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the members of the Prince George's County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–1003
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 708 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Members – Annual Salary
MC/PG 108–15**

FOR the purpose of altering the annual salary of the members of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission; and generally relating to the annual salary of the members of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 17–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 709 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Authority to Impose Fees for Use of Disposable Bags
PG 416–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing Prince George’s County to impose, by law, a fee on certain retail establishments for use of disposable bags as part of a retail sale of products; limiting the amount of a certain fee; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the authority for Prince George’s County to impose a fee for use of disposable bags.

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 13–1001 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Miscellaneous Provisions”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation and the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 710 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – School Property – Development of Policy for
Noneducational Use
PG 406–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Chief Executive Officer of the Prince George’s County public school system, together with the Prince George’s County Board of Education, the County Executive of Prince George’s County, and the Prince George’s County Parent Teacher Association to develop a certain policy for considering and approving certain noneducational uses of school property; and generally relating to the use of public school property in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–402(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 4–402(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 711 – Charles County Delegation

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – Eminent Domain – “Quick Take” Authority

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to authorize the governing body of Charles County to provide for the immediate taking of private property situated in the County for right of way for County roads, streets, water, sewer, stormwater management, or drainage under certain circumstances; prohibiting the immediate taking of private property situated in the County if the property includes a building or buildings; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 40A

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 712 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Micro–Breweries – Beer and Liquor
MC 26–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the issuance of a certain micro–brewery license to the holder of a certain Class D beer, wine and liquor license in Montgomery County; providing that the holder of or an applicant for a certain Class D license that is also the holder of a certain micro–brewery license is not required to attest to meeting certain sales ratio requirements; and generally relating to sales of alcoholic beverages in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–208(b) and 6–401(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 713 – Delegates Luedtke, Atterbeary, Carr, Cassilly, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gilchrist, Kelly, Korman, Lafferty, Lam, Moon, Pendergrass, Reznik, S. Robinson, Stein, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Trade in Ivory and Rhinoceros Horn – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from purchasing, selling, offering for sale, possessing with the intent to sell, or importing with the intent to sell any ivory or rhinoceros horn, subject to certain exceptions; establishing under certain circumstances a presumption that a person possesses ivory or rhinoceros horn with the intent to sell; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; authorizing a court to order that a person who violates this Act pay certain restitution to be used for certain purposes; establishing a certain additional source of revenue for the Birdwatcher’s Fund; providing for the disposal of any seized ivory or rhinoceros horns; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to adopt certain regulations; providing for the calculation of the value of ivory or rhinoceros horn for

certain purposes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the prohibition against the trade in ivory and rhinoceros horns in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–2A–06.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–2A–08.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 714 – Delegates Proctor, Anderson, Aumann, Barkley, Beidle, Beitzel, Bromwell, Carr, Frush, Hammen, Holmes, C. Howard, Impallaria, Jameson, Kipke, Krebs, McIntosh, O'Donnell, Sophocleus, Szeliga, and Valentino-Smith

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Retirement Income

FOR the purpose of altering a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain military retirement income; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the State income taxation of certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 715 – Delegates Korman, Frick, and Kelly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Bethesda Graceful Growing Together Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Graceful Growing Together, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 716 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Krebs, Barron, Bromwell, Cullison, Hayes, Hill, and Oaks

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Prescriber–Pharmacist Agreements and Therapy Management Contracts

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain dentists, physicians, podiatrists, nurse midwives, and nurse practitioners to enter into certain agreements; requiring certain prescribers who wish to enter certain therapy management contracts to have certain agreements; requiring certain prescribers and certain pharmacists to submit to certain health occupations boards certain documents; authorizing certain pharmacists to enter into certain agreements and certain contracts under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain pharmacists from employing or providing certain incentives to certain prescribers for certain purposes; providing that a certain protocol may authorize the initiation of certain drug therapy; providing that certain protocols may authorize certain drug substitutions; repealing a certain prohibition against certain drug substitutions except under certain circumstances; repealing a provision of law that provides for the termination of a therapy management contract after a certain time period unless there is a certain renewal; specifying that certain contracts apply only to conditions agreed to by certain prescribers; requiring certain contracts to include certain provisions; authorizing the Board of Pharmacy to assess certain fees for certain purposes; requiring certain prescribers to maintain certain records in a certain manner; requiring certain health occupations boards to jointly adopt certain regulations; requiring the regulations to include certain provisions; defining certain terms; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to prescriber–pharmacist agreements and therapy management contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–6A–01, 12–6A–03 through 12–6A–08, and 12–6A–10

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–6A–02
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

**House Bill 717 – Delegates Kramer, Atterbeary, Barkley, Dumais,
Fraser–Hidalgo, Krebs, Luedtke, McComas, W. Miller, and Valderrama**

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Evidence of Required Security – Carrying While Operating
Vehicle**

FOR the purpose of requiring the operator of a motor vehicle to carry evidence of certain required security on paper or in an electronic format when operating the motor vehicle; providing that the operator of a moped or motor scooter may carry evidence of a certain required security on paper or in an electronic format; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to motor vehicles and required security.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 17–104.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

**House Bill 718 – Delegates C. Wilson, Atterbeary, Bromwell, Brooks, Carozza,
Chang, Hayes, Knotts, Krimm, Lafferty, McConkey, McMillan, W. Miller,
Moon, Morales, Oaks, Pena–Melnik, and Walker**

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Innovative Idea Awards Program – Additional Cash Awards

FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain additional cash award provided to certain State employees under the Innovative Idea Awards Program for certain innovative ideas shall be equal to a certain percentage of the savings or gain to the State from the innovative idea; repealing a certain limitation on the amount of a certain cash award; prohibiting any member of the Governor Awards Panel from receiving certain

compensation; and generally relating to awards made under the State Innovative Idea Awards Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 10–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 719 – Delegates Sydnor, Barron, Haynes, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

District Court Jurisdiction – Uninsured Motorist Claim

FOR the purpose of altering the exclusive original civil jurisdiction of the District Court to include an action for first-party motor vehicle insurance benefits for uninsured motorist coverage under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the exclusive original civil jurisdiction of the District Court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 4–401(17) and (18)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 4–401(19)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

House Joint Resolution 3 – Delegate Branch

A House Joint Resolution concerning

State Government – Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage Flag

FOR the purpose of urging the Governor to recognize, by proclamation, the Freedom and Heritage flag as the official flag of the Vietnamese American community; urging the Governor to require that a certain flag, if displayed on the grounds of State buildings or institutions of higher education, be replaced by the Freedom and Heritage flag; providing that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Services to certain individuals; and generally relating to the Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage flag.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Senate Bill 7 – ~~Senator Middleton~~ Senators Middleton, Benson, Feldman, Kelley, Klausmeier, Montgomery, Pugh, Reilly, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Electronic Cigarettes – Sale to Minors – Components, Supplies, and Enforcement

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the prohibition against selling, distributing, or offering for sale a certain electronic device to a minor that can be used to deliver nicotine includes any component for the device or product used to refill or resupply the device; clarifying that the exception to the prohibition for devices approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration applies only to devices for sale as a certain tobacco cessation product; ~~changing a violation of the prohibition from a misdemeanor to a civil infraction;~~ establishing certain civil penalties; providing that a sworn law enforcement officer, county health officer, or a designee of a county health officer may issue a certain civil citation for a violation of this Act; providing requirements for processing a certain citation; providing for a certain election to stand trial; ~~authorizing a certain prosecution; authorizing the District Court to access certain costs;~~ requiring the District Court to remit certain collected penalties in a certain manner; clarifying that the adjudication of a violation of this Act is not a criminal conviction for any purpose; defining a certain term; and generally relating to electronic cigarettes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – Health – General
 Section 24–305
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill 59 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset Extension
and Program Evaluation**

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by repealing the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators.

BY repealing

Article – Health Occupations
Section 9–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(37)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 58)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (HOUSE BILLS) #1**House Bill 10 – ~~Delegate Jones~~ Delegates Jones and McIntosh**

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 137 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 59)

The Bill was then sent to the Senate.

House Bill 35 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 138 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 60)

The Bill was then sent to the Senate.

House Bill 37 – ~~Delegate Schulz~~ Frederick County Delegation**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 137 Negative – 1 (See Roll Call No. 61)

The Bill was then sent to the Senate.

House Bill 115 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 137 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 62)

The Bill was then sent to the Senate.

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #1

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Tax Year 2014 – Technical Correction

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 137 Negative – 1 (See Roll Call No. 63)

The Bill was then returned to the Senate.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

MEMORANDUM

To: Hon. Sheila E. Hixson, Chairman, W&M
Hon. Peter A. Hammen, Chairman, HGO

From: Michael E. Busch, Speaker

Re: Reassignment of Bill(s)

In accordance with Rule 33, you are hereby requested to return to the Office of the Chief Clerk, the following legislation for reassignment as indicated below:

<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Reassignment</u>
HB 401	W&M

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 64)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:30 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 13, 2015.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, February 13, 2015**

THE HONORABLE ADRIENNE A. JONES, SPEAKER PRO TEM, PRESIDING

The House met at 11:03 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Brooke E. Lierman of Baltimore City.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 65)

The Journal of February 12, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Speaker Busch – personal

Del. McDonough – personal

Del. Proctor – funeral

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 720 – Delegate Vaughn

AN ACT concerning

**Architects, Landscape Architects, and Professional Land Surveyors – Firm
Permits**

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements for the responsible member of an entity providing architectural services; authorizing the State Board of Architects to deny a firm permit to an applicant, reprimand a permit holder, suspend or revoke a permit, or impose a certain penalty under certain circumstances and subject to certain hearing provisions; providing for the reinstatement of a firm permit issued by the State Board of Architects under certain circumstances; authorizing landscape architecture to be practiced through a limited liability company under certain circumstances; requiring a limited liability company to hold a permit issued by the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects before operating a business through which landscape architecture is practiced; establishing certain qualifications and application requirements for a firm permit issued by the State

Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects; authorizing the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects to deny a firm permit to an applicant, reprimand a permit holder, suspend or revoke a permit, or impose a certain penalty under certain circumstances and subject to certain hearing provisions; providing for the reinstatement of a firm permit issued by the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects under certain circumstances; establishing certain qualifications, application requirements, and renewal requirements for a firm permit to operate a business through which land surveying or property line surveying is practiced; authorizing the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors to deny a firm permit to an applicant, reprimand a permit holder, suspend or revoke a permit, or impose a certain penalty under certain circumstances and subject to certain hearing provisions; providing for the reinstatement of a firm permit issued by the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors under certain circumstances; requiring certain permit holders to provide certain notification of certain changes or occurrences within a certain period of time; altering certain definitions; making stylistic and conforming changes; and generally relating to firm permits issued by the State Board of Architects, the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects, and the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 3–401, 3–403(b), 3–404(c)(3), 3–602, 9–401, 9–402, 9–403, 9–404, 9–602, 15–402, 15–403, and 15–406

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 3–410 through 3–416, 9–405(b), 9–409 through 9–416, 15–402.1, and 15–407 through 15–414

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 9–405(b) and 9–409

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 721 – Delegates Vaughn, D. Barnes, Barron, Fennell, C. Howard, Impallaria, Jameson, Valentino-Smith, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Real Estate Appraisers – Appraisal Agreement – Required Copies

FOR the purpose of requiring a licensed real estate appraiser or a certified real estate appraiser to attach a copy of a certain appraisal agreement to certain appraisal reports; defining a certain term; and generally relating to required copies of appraisal agreements of licensed real estate appraisers or certified real estate appraisers.

BY adding to

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 16–403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 722 – Delegate A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Credit for Expense of Registering Qualified Vehicles – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain credit against the State income tax for the expense of registering certain qualified vehicles; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a credit against the State income tax for the expense of registering certain qualified vehicles.

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–734

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 723 – Delegate A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Maryland–Mined Coal Tax Credit – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain credits allowed against certain taxes for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the repeal of certain credits allowed against certain taxes for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal.

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General

Section 8–406(b) and 10–704.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 8–406(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 724 – Delegates Valderrama, Barkley, Clippinger, Jameson, W. Miller,
and Vaughn**

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Provider Malpractice Insurance – Scope of Coverage

FOR the purpose of repealing a prohibition on the inclusion, in a policy that insures a health care provider against damages due to medical injury arising from providing or failing to provide health care, of coverage for the defense of a health care provider in a certain disciplinary hearing; repealing a provision of law that authorizes a policy providing coverage for the defense of a health care provider in a certain disciplinary hearing to be offered and priced separately from a policy insuring a health care provider against damages due to medical injury; and generally relating to malpractice insurance coverage for health care providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 725 – Delegates A. Miller and Barve

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Child Sexual Abuse – Statute of Limitations

FOR the purpose of altering the statute of limitations in certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse; and generally relating to child sexual abuse.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–117
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 726 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Frush, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Online Sales Presumption

FOR the purpose of providing that, for purposes of certain provisions of the sales and use tax law, certain persons shall be presumed under certain circumstances to have an agent, a canvasser, an independent contractor, a representative, a salesman, or a solicitor operating in the State for certain purposes; providing that a certain presumption may be rebutted by certain proof; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to a presumption under the sales and use tax law under certain circumstances that certain persons have an agent, a canvasser, an independent contractor, a representative, a salesman, or a solicitor operating in the State for certain purposes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–701(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–701.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 727 – Delegates McMillan, Beidle, Carey, Chang, Frush, S. Howard, Kipke, Pena–Melnyk, Saab, Simonaire, Sophocleus, and Vitale

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County Board of Education – Wireless Telecommunications
Towers – Moratorium and Report**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from constructing a wireless telecommunications tower on the grounds of a public school in Anne Arundel County during a certain time period unless certain permits have been issued before a certain date; requiring

the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to submit a certain report on the use of public school property for wireless telecommunications towers to the members of the Anne Arundel County delegation to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to publish a certain list and certain information on or before a certain date; specifying the purpose of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to wireless telecommunications towers and the use of public school property in Anne Arundel County.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 728 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, Oaks, B. Robinson, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Governmental Tort Claims – Excessive Force or Misuse of Force by Law Enforcement Officer

FOR the purpose of altering the liability of a local government for certain claims of excessive force or misuse of force by a law enforcement officer; altering the liability of the State and its units for certain claims of excessive force or misuse of force by a law enforcement officer; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to altering the liability of a local government and the State and its units for excessive force or misuse of force by a law enforcement officer.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–303(a) and 5–522(a)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 12–104(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 729 – Delegates Angel, Barron, Frush, Gaines, Haynes, Jalisi, Kelly, McComas, B. Robinson, Smith, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Cease and Desist Orders and Injunctive Relief – Authority

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors to issue a cease and desist order or obtain injunctive relief for certain violations of certain provisions of law; making a technical correction; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–316.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 730 – Delegates Platt, Barkley, B. Barnes, Barron, Carr, Ebersole, Fennell, Gutierrez, Hayes, Healey, Hill, Jalisi, Krimm, Lam, Luedtke, McCray, Moon, Morales, Patterson, Pena–Melnik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, A. Washington, M. Washington, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Estate Tax – Unified Credit

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after a certain date; altering a certain limitation on the amount of the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after a certain date; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the Maryland estate tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–309(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–309(b)(1), (2), and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 731 – Delegates Carter, Glenn, Oaks, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Officers – Disciplinary Actions – Written Policy

FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement agency to adopt a written policy and procedure to govern certain disciplinary actions that may be taken against a certain law enforcement officer by a certain date; requiring each written policy to include certain information; requiring, under certain circumstances, a law enforcement officer to be disciplined in accordance with a certain policy and procedure; requiring a law enforcement agency to state certain reasons for a departure from a certain policy in detail under certain circumstances; requiring a law enforcement agency that takes certain disciplinary action to post to the Internet monthly a certain summary; and generally relating to disciplinary actions against law enforcement officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–111.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 732 – Delegate Vaughn

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Motor Vehicle Rental Companies – Limited Lines License to Sell Insurance

FOR the purpose of applying certain provisions of law relating to employees of a motor vehicle rental company that holds a certain limited lines license to authorized representatives of the motor vehicle rental company; requiring a motor vehicle rental company to hold a certain limited lines license to sell certain insurance before authorized representatives of the company may sell or offer to sell any policies of insurance to renters of motor vehicles; providing that a certain limited lines license authorizes any authorized representative of the motor vehicle rental company holding the license to act on behalf of the company with respect to certain kinds of insurance, under certain circumstances; altering the types of employees of a motor vehicle rental company who are authorized to act on behalf of the company with respect to certain kinds of insurance; providing that certain acts of an authorized representative of a motor vehicle rental company shall be deemed to be the acts of the company for certain purposes; authorizing an employee or an authorized

representative of a motor vehicle rental company to be compensated for offering or selling certain insurance coverage; prohibiting the employee or authorized representative from being compensated for certain activities in a certain manner; providing for the construction of certain provisions of law; altering the circumstances under which a motor vehicle rental company is authorized to offer or sell certain insurance under a limited lines license; altering the circumstances under which certain disciplinary action may be taken by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner; prohibiting an authorized representative of a motor vehicle rental company from advertising, representing, or otherwise holding itself out as a certain insurer or certain insurance producer; exempting certain compensation from the prohibition against paying, directly or indirectly, to certain persons certain consideration for selling, soliciting, or negotiating insurance; defining a certain term; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to motor vehicle rental companies and limited lines licenses to sell insurance to renters of motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 10–130(a), 10–601, 10–602, 10–604(a), 10–606, and 10–607

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 733 – Delegates Cullison, Kelly, Kipke, Oaks, Reznik, and West

AN ACT concerning

Pharmacists – Substitution and Dispensing – Interchangeable Biological Products

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain pharmacists to substitute certain interchangeable biological products for certain prescribed products only under certain circumstances; requiring certain pharmacists or certain designees to inform certain consumers of the availability of an interchangeable biological product and the approximate cost difference as compared to a certain drug; providing that the requirement to provide certain information to certain consumers does not apply to a prescription that is written for an interchangeable biological product; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy to maintain on its Web site a link to a certain list of biological products; requiring certain pharmacists who make certain substitutions to notify certain patients that a certain product is interchangeable and to record and keep a record of certain information relating to the substitution; authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to disqualify an interchangeable biological product from being used as a substitute in Maryland under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to provide an opportunity for public comment under certain circumstances; providing that certain pharmacists who substitute an interchangeable biological product in compliance with certain provisions of law incur no greater liability than would be incurred in filling the prescription by dispensing

a certain drug or device; requiring certain pharmacists or their designees to notify certain prescribers of the provision of a certain product to a patient within a certain period of time after dispensing the product; specifying the methods by which certain notice must be provided, subject to a certain exception; providing a certain exception to the notice requirement; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the substitution and dispensing of interchangeable biological products.

BY renumbering

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(c) through (i) and (j) through (w), respectively
to be Section 12–101(d) through (j) and (m) through (aa), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(c), (k), and (l) and 12–504.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–504

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 734 – Delegates Saab, S. Howard, Kipke, McMillan, Simonaire, and Vitale

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Board of Education – Selection of Members

FOR the purpose of establishing a procedure for the election and appointment of certain members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education; repealing certain provisions governing the appointment of all members of the county board; establishing the composition of the county board; providing for the qualifications, terms of offices, and the filling of a vacancy of certain members of the county board; repealing certain provisions relating to the retention election of certain appointed

members of the county board; requiring the County Executive of Anne Arundel County and the Governor to appoint certain members of the School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County; requiring the elected members of the county board to reside in, be a registered voter in, and be elected from certain districts; specifying that a member may not be elected or appointed to serve for more than a certain number of terms; providing for the removal of, and hearings and appeal procedures for, certain members of the county board; altering the amount of compensation for certain members of the county board; providing for the termination of terms of the appointed members of the county board; and generally relating to the election and appointment of members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education.

BY renumbering

Article – Education

Section 3–2A–01 through 3–2A–10, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2A. Baltimore County”

to be Section 3–2B–01 through 3–2B–10, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2B. Baltimore County”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 3–110 and 3–114

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 3–2A–01 through 3–2A–09 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2A. Anne Arundel County”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 735 – Delegates Szeliga, Cluster, Folden, Glass, Kipke, Kittleman, McComas, Parrott, Rey, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Regulated Firearms and Ammunition – Transport Through State

FOR the purpose of specifying that a person who is not a resident of the State and who is not prohibited from possessing a regulated firearm or ammunition for a regulated firearm in the person’s state of residence may transport a regulated firearm or ammunition for a regulated firearm through the State to another state under certain

circumstances; requiring a person who transports a regulated firearm or ammunition for a regulated firearm under certain circumstances to transport the firearm or ammunition in a certain manner; and generally relating to regulated firearms and transport through the State.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 5–147

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 736 – Delegates Vitale and McConkey

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Belvoir–Scott’s Plantation Historic Manor House

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Magnum Enterprises, LTD. and the Board of Directors of the Rockbridge Academy, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 737 – Delegates B. Wilson, Folden, Kittleman, Shoemaker, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Financial Crimes Against Vulnerable and Elder Adults – Petition to Freeze Assets

FOR the purpose of authorizing a State’s Attorney to file a petition to freeze assets of a defendant charged with a certain financial crime involving a vulnerable or elder adult under certain circumstances; requiring that a petition to freeze assets be served in accordance with the Maryland Rules and include certain information; requiring that a petition to freeze assets be mailed to certain lienholders and certain financial institutions; authorizing a court to grant a petition to freeze assets and issue an order to freeze assets under certain circumstances; requiring that an order to freeze assets remain in effect for a certain period of time; authorizing the court to modify an order to freeze assets under certain circumstances; specifying that a

certain lienholder is not prohibited from exercising certain rights if a default occurs in the obligation giving rise to the lien; specifying that a certain financial institution is not prohibited from exercising certain rights; defining certain terms; and generally relating to petitions to freeze assets.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 4–206

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 738 – Delegate Krebs

AN ACT concerning

Jurisdiction of the State Ethics Commission and the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals – Participation in Procurement

FOR the purpose of transferring from the State Ethics Commission to the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals jurisdiction of certain provisions of law prohibiting certain participation in procurement by a certain individual or a certain person that employs a certain individual who assists a certain executive unit in the drafting of specifications, an invitation for bids, a request for proposals for procurements, or the selections or awards made in response to an invitation for bids or a request for proposals; clarifying that violations of certain provisions of law are within the jurisdiction of the Maryland State Board of Contract of Appeals; and generally relating to participation in procurement and the jurisdiction of the State Ethics Commission and the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals.

BY repealing

Article – General Provisions

Section 5–508

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 13–212.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 15–211

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 739 – Delegates Kelly, Carr, Cullison, Hill, Morhaim, Reznik, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 740 – Delegates B. Robinson, Conaway, and Hayes

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Pigtown Facade Restoration

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Pigtown Main Street, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 741 – Delegates Hayes, Clippinger, Conaway, Lierman, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Cooperative Housing Corporation Act – Delinquency Period for Purpose of Eviction Action

FOR the purpose of repealing a condition that a member of a cooperative housing corporation be delinquent in paying assessments for a certain number of months before the governing body of the cooperative housing corporation may bring an action in court to evict the member under certain circumstances; and generally relating to cooperative housing corporations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 5–6B–31
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 742 – Delegates Hayes, Barron, Cullison, Miele, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

**State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program
Professionals – Revisions**

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for the designation and appointment of a certain program administrator of a residential child care program under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals to evaluate the moral character of an acting residential child care program administrator; requiring the governing body of a residential child care program to appoint a chief administrator of the program; making certain provisions of law that apply to the owner of a residential child care program apply instead to the chief administrator of the program; providing for the designation of an acting chief administrator under certain circumstances; requiring, unless waived by the Board, an applicant for a program administrator certificate and a residential child and youth care practitioner certificate to have completed a child protective services background clearance to qualify for a certificate; requiring an applicant for a certificate or for renewal or reinstatement of a certificate to provide evidence of application for a child protective services background clearance; requiring the results of the child protective services background clearance to be provided to the Board and the applicant; authorizing the Board to waive the required evidence of application for a child protective services background clearance under certain circumstances; altering the requirements for an applicant to obtain a criminal history records check; restricting the use of information obtained from a criminal history records check; authorizing the subject of a criminal history records check to contest the contents of a certain statement; clarifying the types of addresses that a certain application file must contain; requiring an applicant to provide evidence of completing a national criminal history records check before the Board may grant a waiver of a certain examination requirement; requiring an applicant to whom the Board has issued a certificate to maintain on file and update certain addresses; authorizing the Board to take certain disciplinary action if an applicant or a certificate holder fails to

maintain certain addresses on file or notify the Board of certain address changes; repealing certain obsolete provisions of law; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 20–101, 20–301 through 20–304, 20–306, 20–307, 20–310, 20–311, and 20–313

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 743 – Delegates Saab, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Beitzel, Bromwell, Buckel, Campos, Carey, Cassilly, Chang, Cluster, Flanagan, Folden, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hayes, Hornberger, S. Howard, Jackson, Jalisi, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, McComas, McConkey, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Otto, Parrott, Pena–Melnyk, Reilly, Simonaire, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Handgun Permits – Firearms Training Course – Renewal Application

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for a firearms training course that an applicant for renewal of a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun must successfully complete; and generally relating to permits to carry, wear, or transport a handgun.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 5–306(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 744 – Delegates Carter, Conaway, Hayes, and McCray

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Consumer Protection – “Mug Shot” Web Sites

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual to request an operator of a Web site to remove the individual’s photograph or digital image from the operator’s Web site under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to make a certain request for removal

of a photograph or digital image in a certain manner; requiring an operator of a Web site to remove the photograph or digital image of an individual within a certain period of time and to send a certain written confirmation to the individual within a certain period of time; prohibiting an operator of a Web site from charging an individual for the removal of the individual's photograph or digital image; making a violation of this Act an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; and generally relating to the removal of photographs and digital images from Web sites.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–1324

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 745 – Delegates Bromwell, Barron, Morales, Morhaim, Reznik, and Valentino–Smith

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Overdose Response Program

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain advanced practice nurses, in addition to certain nurse practitioners and pharmacists to conduct certain overdose prevention educational training programs; altering the circumstances under which certain employees or volunteers may conduct the training programs; authorizing certain advanced practice nurses, in addition to certain nurse practitioners, to prescribe and dispense naloxone to certain certificate holders; authorizing certain licensed physicians and advanced practice nurses to prescribe and dispense naloxone to certain certificate holders directly or under a certain standing order under certain circumstances; authorizing certain licensed health care providers to prescribe naloxone to certain patients under certain circumstances; authorizing a pharmacist to dispense naloxone in accordance with a certain therapy management contract; providing that certain individuals who administer naloxone or provide naloxone to certain certificate holders under certain circumstances may not be considered to be practicing certain health occupations; providing that an advanced practice nurse who prescribes or dispenses naloxone to a certificate holder in a certain manner may not be subject to certain disciplinary actions; providing immunity from liability for certain persons under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; making clarifying and conforming changes; and generally relating to the Overdose Response Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 13–3101, 13–3104, 13–3107, 13–3108, and 13–3109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 13–3110
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 746 – Delegates Barve, Branch, Chang, Jalisi, Lam, A. Miller, Moon, Morhaim, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – South Asian American Heritage Day

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to proclaim annually a certain day as South Asian American Heritage Day; requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to properly observe South Asian American Heritage Day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities; and generally relating to South Asian American Heritage Day.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–411 through 7–413, respectively
to be Section 7–412 through 7–414, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 747 – Cecil County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge – Multiple Axle Vehicles – Toll Rates

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to establish certain tolls for certain multi-axle vehicles using the Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge; authorizing the Authority to adopt regulations; and generally relating to tolls on the Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge.

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 4–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 748 – Delegates Saab, S. Howard, and Sophocleus

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Board of Pharmacy – Pharmacist Rehabilitation
Committee – Definition**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “pharmacist rehabilitation committee”, for purposes of provisions of law governing pharmacist rehabilitation committees, to provide that it is a group that includes at least one pharmacist instead of a group, the majority of which is comprised of pharmacists; and generally relating to pharmacist rehabilitation committees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–317
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 749 – Delegates Morales, Afzali, Clippinger, Gaines, Gutierrez, Haynes, Hettleman, Hornberger, Jackson, Jones, Kelly, Korman, Krimm, Lisanti, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Vogt, Walker, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Sexual Assault Policies – Reporting

FOR the purpose of requiring the governing boards of certain institutions of higher education to update and submit to the Maryland Higher Education Commission a certain written policy on sexual assault; requiring the sexual assault policy to include certain procedures; requiring a certain institution of higher education to

include a certain notation on a certain student's academic transcript regarding a certain violation in certain circumstances; requiring the institution to adopt certain procedures; requiring the policy to require an institution of higher education to enter into and update certain memoranda of understanding; requiring the Commission to provide the General Assembly with a certain report annually on or before a certain date; and generally relating to institutions of higher education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 750 – Delegates B. Robinson, Conaway, and Hayes

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014 – Baltimore City –
Skatepark of Baltimore at Roosevelt Park**

FOR the purpose of amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014 to change the grantees of certain grants; extending the deadline for a grantee to present evidence of a certain matching fund; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 1(3) Item ZA02(W)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 1(3) Item ZA02(Z) and Item ZA03(X)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 751 – Delegates Hixson, Buckel, Cullison, Ebersole, C. Howard,
Pena–Melnyk, Pendergrass, Reznik, and M. Washington**

AN ACT concerning

Health – Food Allergy Awareness

FOR the purpose of requiring a restaurant, beginning on a certain date, to request that a customer inform the employee taking the customer's food order of any known food allergies before ordering; providing that the request may be included on a certain sign or a menu or menu board or made by the employee taking the customer's food order; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to make available on its Web site a list of certain food allergen awareness training courses and tests and a list of certain resources; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; providing that a person who violates certain provisions of this Act is not subject to certain criminal or civil penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to food allergy awareness.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–330.2 and 21–1214
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 752 – Delegates W. Miller, Oaks, and West

AN ACT concerning

**Professional Engineers – Responsible Charge – Review and Approval of
Engineering Documents**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain engineering documents prepared in connection with certain projects conducted by, jointly with, or under contract with the State or a political subdivision of the State, where certain skills are required, to be signed, sealed, and dated by a certain professional engineer; requiring any review or approval by a unit of State or local government of a certain engineering document to be undertaken by a certain professional engineer with responsible charge for the governmental unit's oversight of a certain project for which a certain engineering document was prepared; and generally relating to the review and approval of engineering documents by a professional engineer with responsible charge.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 14–101(a), (j), (k), and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 14–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 753 – Delegates Luedtke, D. Barnes, Branch, Ebersole, Fennell, Gaines, C. Howard, Kaiser, McIntosh, Patterson, Platt, Tarlau, Turner, Vaughn, A. Washington, M. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Film Production Activity Tax Credit

FOR the purpose of extending certain termination provisions for a certain income tax credit allowed for certain entities that carry out certain film production activities in the State; altering the amount of certain tax credit certificates that the Secretary of Business and Economic Development may issue for certain fiscal years; altering a reporting requirement under the credit to require the Department of Business and Economic Development to provide a list of companies in the State that qualified as certain minority business enterprises or certain small businesses and directly provided goods or services for film production activity during a certain period; requiring a qualified film production entity that receives the tax credit certificate to feature, under certain circumstances, a certain State promotional logo in a certain project in a certain manner; providing that, in lieu of featuring a certain State promotional logo, the qualified film production entity may offer certain alternative marketing opportunities; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to income tax credits for certain film production activities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–730(e) through (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–730(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 516 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter 28
of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 754 – Delegates Jalisi, Pena–Melnyk, Fennell, Ghrist, McComas, McCray, Moon, Morhaim, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Sexual Assault – Survivors’ Right to Know – DNA Analysis of Kit Evidence

FOR the purpose of requiring a health care provider that performs a sexual assault evidence collection kit exam on a victim of sexual assault to provide the victim or the victim’s representative with contact information for a certain law enforcement agency; requiring a law enforcement agency that receives a sexual assault evidence collection kit to provide certain information within a certain period of time after a request by the victim from whom the evidence was collected or the victim’s representative; and generally relating to sexual assault.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 11–926

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 755 – Delegates Cullison, Anderson, B. Barnes, Barron, Campos, Carr, Fennell, Hettleman, Jalisi, Kelly, Korman, Lierman, Luedtke, Morales, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Public Information Act – Enforcement, Fees, and Exemptions

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law regarding the maintenance of public records relating to certain agricultural operations and programs; establishing the State Public Information Act Compliance Board; requiring the Governor to publish on the Governor’s Office Web site certain notice relating to applications for membership on the Board and the names and qualifications of certain applicants; authorizing the Governor to broadcast certain interviews on the Governor’s Office Web site; requiring the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint the members of the Board from a certain pool of applicants; providing for the composition, chair, terms, and meetings of the Board; prohibiting a member of the Board from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to provide staff for the Board; providing for the powers and duties of the Board; authorizing any person to file a certain complaint with the Board; requiring that the complaint contain certain information and be signed by the complainant; requiring the Board to take certain

action regarding a complaint and filed within a certain time period; requiring a custodian who receives a complaint from the Board to file a certain response within a certain time period; requiring the Board to maintain the confidentiality of a certain public record; authorizing the Board, under certain circumstances, to hold a certain conference; providing that a certain conference held by the Board is not a contested case; requiring the Board to assess certain statutory damages and reimbursement of certain fees under certain circumstances; providing that compliance by a custodian with an order of the Board is not a certain admission and may not be used as evidence in a certain proceeding; providing that a complainant is not required to exhaust certain administrative remedies before seeking certain judicial review; repealing certain provisions of law related to the administrative review of a decision to deny inspection of a public record; requiring a person receiving benefits from the State to relinquish certain public records to a certain custodian; establishing that failure to comply with a certain provision of law constitutes a denial of a certain application and may not be considered the result of a bona fide dispute; altering a certain provision of law to require a custodian who denies an application to inspect public records to provide certain information to the applicant within certain periods of time; repealing a certain limitation on the requirement that a custodian allow inspection of any part of a record that is subject to disclosure; prohibiting a custodian from denying or ignoring an application to inspect public records on certain grounds; altering certain provisions of law that authorize a custodian to charge a reasonable fee for certain tasks relating to public records requests; authorizing a custodian to require a certain statement from an applicant under certain circumstances; prohibiting an applicant from obtaining any part of a public record under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to establish a penalty for a certain violation of a certain provision of this Act; requiring a custodian within a certain period of time to provide certain evidence to the Board if the custodian refuses to waive a certain fee under certain circumstances; requiring a custodian to provide certain proof to the Board if an applicant challenges a certain denial to disclose certain public records; establishing that certain defendants are liable for certain statutory damages under certain circumstances; repealing certain burdens of proof that a complainant must show to recover certain damages in a certain court; defining certain terms; specifying the initial terms of the members of the Board; making conforming changes; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to the Public Information Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 8–801.1 and 8–1010
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–101, 4–201, 4–203, 4–206, 4–343, 4–362; and the amended part
designation “Part VI. Judicial Review” immediately preceding Section
4–361

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–1A–01 through 4–1A–10 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1A. State
Public Information Act Compliance Board”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY repealing

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–361

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 756 – Delegates Arentz, Ghrist, and Jacobs

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Queen Anne’s County – Refillable Container Permit

FOR the purpose of establishing a refillable container permit in Queen Anne’s County; authorizing the Queen Anne’s County Board of License Commissioners to issue a refillable container permit to the holders of certain licenses for certain fees and subject to certain requirements; specifying that the permit entitles the holder to sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a certain type of container; specifying certain standards that a refillable container must meet; specifying that the term of the permit is the same as that of the underlying license; specifying certain permit fees; specifying certain advertising, posting of notice, and public hearing requirements; specifying the hours of sale for the permit; authorizing a permit holder to refill only a container that meets certain standards; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Queen Anne’s County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–218.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 21–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 757 – Delegates Jones, Brooks, and Jalisi

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – National Center on Institutions and Alternatives Expansion

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$350,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the National Center on Institutions and Alternatives, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 758 – Delegates McIntosh, Anderson, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Blessed Sacrament Supportive Housing

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Marian House, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 759 – Delegate Bromwell

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Small Employer Health Benefit Plan Premium Subsidy Program – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the Small Employer Health Benefit Plan Premium Subsidy Program; repealing provisions of law relating to the purposes, administration, subsidies, and funding for the Program; repealing a requirement that the Maryland Health Care Commission adopt regulations for the Program; repealing eligibility requirements for the Program; repealing provisions of law relating to the calculation of certain subsidies under the Program; repealing a certain reporting requirement; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the Small Employer Health Benefit Plan Premium Subsidy Program.

BY repealing

Article – Insurance

Section 15–12A–01 through 15–12A–05 and the subtitle “Subtitle 12A. Small Employer Health Benefit Plan Premium Subsidy Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 760 – Delegates Luedtke, Anderson, Angel, Barkley, B. Barnes, Bromwell, Carr, Clippinger, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Hettleman, Hill, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, McCray, Miele, Moon, Morales, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Waldstreicher, P. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

**Food Fish and Shellfish – Labeling and Identification Requirements
(Maryland Seafood Authenticity Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling or offering for sale within the State certain food fish or shellfish unless the person identifies the species of food fish or shellfish in a certain manner; prohibiting a person from knowingly misidentifying the species of certain food fish or shellfish on a label, sign, or menu; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling or offering for sale within the State certain crab products identified as “blue crab” except under certain conditions; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling or offering for sale within the State certain crab products or whole crabs, unless the person identifies certain information relating to the origin of the crab product or whole crab in a certain manner; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to develop a Web site containing certain information relating to this Act; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to enforce certain provisions of this Act and regulations adopted under this Act at certain food service facilities in a certain manner; providing for the construction of this Act; providing that this Act may be cited as the Maryland Seafood Authenticity Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to labeling and identification requirements for food fish and shellfish.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–11F–01 through 4–11F–07 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11F.
Maryland Seafood Authenticity Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 761 – Delegates Jalisi, Pena–Melnyk, Atterbeary, Ebersole, Ghrist, Hayes, Haynes, Korman, Lisanti, McComas, Moon, Smith, Tarlau, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Cyberstalking – Penalties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from engaging in conduct that includes installing or causing to be installed certain computer software on another person’s electronic device or computer without that person’s knowledge or consent for certain purposes; prohibiting a person from engaging in certain prohibited conduct with the intent to place another in reasonable fear of certain actions; providing for the application of this Act; providing penalties for a violation of this Act; providing that a sentence imposed under this Act may be separate from and consecutive to or concurrent with a sentence for any other crime based on the acts establishing a violation of this Act; and generally relating to cyberstalking.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–801

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–802.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 762 – Delegates Buckel, Beitzel, Hornberger, Kittleman, McKay, Metzgar, Otto, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Entrance to State Highway – Permit Process

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to grant or deny a request for a permit to make an entrance from a commercial or industrial property to certain State highways within a certain period of time; requiring the Administration to provide a certain written notice and explanation to an applicant for a permit if the Administration denies a permit request; authorizing an applicant for a permit whose request is denied to file a petition for judicial review with a certain circuit court; and generally relating to the permitting process for making an entrance to certain State highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–625
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 763 – Delegates Cullison, Ebersole, Luedtke, A. Miller, Platt, Turner, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Effectiveness of Teacher Education Programs in the Instruction of Reading

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Effectiveness of Teacher Education Programs in the Instruction of Reading; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Effectiveness of Teacher Education Programs in the Instruction of Reading.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 764 – Delegates Hixson, Moon, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Blair Regional Park Scoreboards

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$25,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Montgomery Blair Athletic Association, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 765 – Delegates Hixson, Moon, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Kitchen and Counseling Center Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School of the Archdiocese of Washington, Inc. and the Board of Directors of the Don Bosco Cristo Rey Work–Study of the Archdiocese of Washington, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 766 – Delegate Kipke

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Dental Examiners – Authority – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of altering certain exemptions from the authority of the State Board of Dental Examiners; providing that the Board’s authority does not apply to certain clinics, government agencies, or nonprofit organizations; repealing the exemption from the Board’s authority of certain groups under certain circumstances; requiring certain dental employees of certain government agencies or nonprofit organizations to be under the authority of the Board; requiring the dentists employed by certain government agencies or nonprofit organizations to be licensed and under certain authority of the Board; and generally relating to the authority of the State Board of Dental Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 767 – Delegates Reilly, Adams, Aumann, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, McComas, McDonough, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Morgan, Otto, Shoemaker, Vitale, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Permit to Carry, Wear, or Transport a Handgun – Qualifications

FOR the purpose of clarifying that self–defense can qualify as a good and substantial reason to wear, carry, or transport a handgun for purposes of the issuance by the Secretary of State Police of a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun; and generally relating to a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–301(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–306(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 768 – Delegate Brooks

AN ACT concerning

Tax Procedure – Interest Rate on Tax Deficiencies and Refunds

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the annual interest rate that the Comptroller sets for tax deficiencies and refunds; and generally relating to the annual interest rate on tax deficiencies and refunds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General

Section 13–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 769 – Delegate Turner

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Persons Doing Public Business – Statements of Contributions

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a person who was doing public business on a certain date is required to file a certain statement of campaign contributions with the State Board of Elections on or before certain dates if performance remains uncompleted on the contract that caused the person to be doing public business; clarifying that a person is doing public business if the person has a contract with a governmental entity involving cumulative consideration of at least a certain amount; requiring a person doing public business to disclose a contribution for the benefit of a candidate for an office of a governmental entity with which the person is doing public business; and generally relating to disclosure of campaign contributions by persons doing public business.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 14–101 and 14–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 770 – Delegate Davis

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Standard Valuation Law and Reserve and Nonforfeiture Requirements

FOR the purpose of establishing certain requirements relating to the reserves and opinions relating to the reserves for certain life insurance policies, accident and health insurance contracts, and deposit–type contracts issued by certain companies on or after the operative date of a certain valuation manual; clarifying the scope of certain provisions of law relating to the reserve requirements and opinions relating to the reserve requirements for certain policies, contracts, and benefit agreements required before the operative date of the valuation manual; requiring certain companies to submit annually a certain opinion relating to the reserves and related actuarial items held in support of certain policies and contracts; requiring the valuation

manual to prescribe the contents of the opinion and certain other items; requiring certain companies to include with the opinion an additional opinion of a certain actuary, except under certain circumstances; requiring the obligations of a company under certain policies and contracts to include certain benefits and expenses; requiring a certain actuary to consider certain investment earnings and other consideration in reviewing certain assets held by a certain company; requiring a certain memorandum to be prepared to support a certain opinion; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to engage a certain actuary at the expense of a certain company under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements for certain opinions; limiting the liability for damages of certain actuaries under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to adopt regulations to establish disciplinary action against a certain company or certain actuary that violates certain provisions of this Act; repealing certain provisions of law authorizing the Commissioner to certify the amount of certain reserves; altering the circumstances under which the Commissioner may accept a certain valuation; requiring the Commissioner to annually value or cause to be valued the reserves of certain policies and contracts issued by a company on or after the operative date of the valuation manual; establishing the minimum standard for valuation of the policies and contracts; specifying the manner in which the operative date of the valuation manual is determined; providing for the effective date of changes to the valuation manual; requiring the valuation manual to specify certain minimum valuation standards, the format for certain reports, certain other requirements, and certain data and the form of the data that must be submitted under a certain provision of this Act; authorizing a company, under certain circumstances, to comply with a minimum standard of valuation prescribed by the Commissioner by regulation; authorizing the Commissioner to rely on a certain opinion under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to require a company to change any assumption or method used by the company under certain circumstances; requiring a company to adjust the company's reserves as required by the Commissioner; requiring a company, for policies and contracts specified in the valuation manual, to establish reserves using a certain principle-based valuation; establishing certain requirements for a company that uses a principle-based valuation; requiring a company to submit certain information as prescribed in the valuation manual; providing that certain information of a company is confidential and privileged, is not subject to the Maryland Public Information Act, and is not subject to subpoena or discovery or admission in evidence in a certain civil action, subject to certain exceptions; authorizing the Commissioner to share and use certain confidential information under certain circumstances and to enter into agreements governing the sharing and use of the information; authorizing the Commissioner to receive certain documents, materials, data, and other information; providing that a certain privilege or claim of confidentiality in confidential information is not waived as a result of a certain disclosure or sharing of the confidential information; authorizing the Commissioner to exempt a specific product form or product line of a certain company under certain circumstances; specifying the mortality tables that may be substituted for certain other mortality tables to be used in determining the minimum nonforfeiture standard for certain policies issued on or after the operative date of the valuation manual; establishing the nonforfeiture interest rate for certain policies issued on or

after the operative date of the valuation manual; altering the nonforfeiture interest rate for certain policies issued before the operative date of the valuation manual; making this Act subject to certain contingencies; requiring the Commissioner to give certain notice to the Department of Legislative Services; providing that this Act is null and void under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; making certain conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to the Maryland Standard Valuation Law and reserve and nonforfeiture requirements for insurance policies and contracts issued in the State.

BY renumbering

Article – Insurance

Section 5–301

to be Section 5–301.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 5–201, 5–303, 5–304(b)(3), (c), (f), and (g), 5–305(c), (d), and (f),
5–306(f)(7), and 16–309

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 5–201.1, 5–301, and 5–313 through 5–317

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 5–301.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 771 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Conaway, Glenn, McCray, Oaks, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore Police Department – Reporting on Community Policing

FOR the purpose of requiring the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City to report annually certain information concerning the Baltimore Police Department to the Mayor and

City Council of Baltimore and the members of the Baltimore City Delegation to the General Assembly; requiring the report to be made available on the Department's Web site; and generally relating to the Baltimore Police Department.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–510

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 772 – Delegates Buckel, Beitzel, McKay, Rey, Shoemaker, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Firearms Safety Training Course – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that a person complete a certain firearms safety training course in order to be issued a handgun qualification license or a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun; repealing a prohibition on selling, renting, or transferring a regulated firearm to a person that has not completed a certain firearms safety training course; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 5–117.1, 5–134, and 5–306

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 773 – Delegate McDonough

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore County – Watershed Protection and Restoration Program –
Exemption**

FOR the purpose of exempting Baltimore County from the requirement to establish a watershed protection and restoration program on or before a certain date; and generally relating to stormwater management in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 4–202.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 774 – Delegate McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Motor Fuel Tax Rates – Consumer Price Index Adjustment – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain motor fuel tax rates be adjusted in future years based on growth in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers; and generally relating to motor fuel tax rates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 775 – Delegate Frick

AN ACT concerning

Inaugural Committees – Required Disclosure of Donors and Donor Amounts

FOR the purpose of requiring an inaugural committee to provide a list of donors and donor amounts to any individual on request; and generally relating to inaugural committees.

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 13–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 776 – Delegate Kelly

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Parental Leave

FOR the purpose of providing that certain State employees may be entitled to parental leave with pay under certain circumstances; establishing the maximum number of days of parental leave that certain employees may use for the care and nurturing of a child following the birth or adoption of the child; providing that an employee may use parental leave only after obtaining approval from the employee's appointing authority; prohibiting an employee who uses parental leave from receiving certain payment unless the employee takes a certain action; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to parental leave for State employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 9–1101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 9–1108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 777 – Delegates B. Robinson, Conaway, and Hayes

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – In For Of Building Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of In For Of, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 778 – Delegates Hornberger, Cassilly, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Cecil College – Bachelor's Degree in Nursing

FOR the purpose of authorizing Cecil College to offer a certain bachelor's degree program in nursing and to award certain bachelor's degrees in nursing; requiring Cecil

College, in coordination with the Secretary of Higher Education, to adopt certain rules and regulations; and generally relating to bachelor's degree programs in nursing at Cecil College.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 10–210(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 16–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 779 – Delegates A. Washington, Campos, Ebersole, Fennell,
Hornberger, Metzgar, Patterson, Platt, Tarlau, and Valderrama**

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Act of
2015**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Pilot Program targeting low–income Maryland high school graduates; establishing certain purposes of the Program; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to administer the Program and perform certain duties; establishing certain eligibility requirements for participation in the Program; requiring certain actions from nonprofit organizations that receive Program funding; requiring the Commission to submit a summary report on the Program on or before certain dates; requiring the Governor to make an appropriation in the State budget for the Commission for a certain purpose; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Pilot Program.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 11–1101 through 11–1107 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11.
Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Pilot Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 780 – Delegates McComas, Arentz, Carozza, Cassilly, Chang, Kittleman, Krebs, Lam, Mautz, McConkey, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, Platt, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vogt, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 781 – Delegates Waldstreicher and Beidle

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Coverage for Ostomy Equipment and Supplies – Required

FOR the purpose of requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide certain health insurance benefits under certain insurance policies or contracts to provide coverage for certain equipment and supplies used for the treatment of ostomies; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, to adopt by regulation and periodically update a list of certain ostomy equipment and supplies; providing that ostomy equipment and supplies included on a certain list are subject to certain insurance coverage; providing that the required coverage may be subject to certain deductibles and coinsurance; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to coverage for ostomy equipment and supplies under health insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–848

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 782 – Delegates McMillan, Beidle, Cassilly, Frush, Healey, O'Donnell, S. Robinson, Stein, and Vitale

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Residential Leases – Interest on Security Deposits

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the interest rate paid on a security deposit under a residential lease at the end of a tenancy; altering the calculation of the interest rate paid on a security deposit under a residential lease when an evicted or ejected tenant makes a timely written demand for return of the security deposit; altering the calculation of the interest rate paid by a mobile home park owner on a security deposit at the end of a tenancy; altering the requirements for a certain calculator that the Department of Housing and Community Development is required to maintain on its Web site; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the interest paid on security deposits under residential leases and mobile home park rental agreements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8–203(e), (h), and (k) and 8A–1001(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8–203(l) and 8A–1001(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 783 – Delegates Hixson, Moon, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Early Literacy Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$110,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Library, Silver Spring Maryland Chapter, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 784 – Delegate McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Harford Community College – Requirements to Propose Tuition Increase

FOR the purpose of requiring the President of Harford Community College to take certain actions before proposing an increase in tuition at Harford Community College, including holding a certain number of public meetings and posting a certain report on the College's Web site; requiring certain actions to occur before the Board of Trustees of Harford Community College votes on a budget that includes a certain tuition increase; and generally relating to requirements to propose tuition increases at Harford Community College.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 16–408.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 785 – Delegates Flanagan, Frush, Lafferty, Mautz, O'Donnell, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Recreational Fishing Licenses – Duration and Expiration Date

FOR the purpose of altering the expiration date for and, under certain circumstances, the duration of certain recreational fishing licenses; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish by regulation a term for a certain recreational fishing license; requiring the Department to proportionally prorate the annual license fees for certain recreational fishing licenses; repealing a certain obsolete provision of law; and generally relating to the expiration date for and duration of recreational fishing licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–210.1(a), 4–216(a), 4–604(b), and 4–745(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–210.1(e), 4–216(c), 4–604(h)(1), and 4–745(a)(3) and (d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 786 – Delegates Davis, Adams, Arentz, Aumann, Barkley, Branch, Brooks, Carey, Fisher, Frick, Glenn, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jameson, Kramer, Lisanti, Mautz, W. Miller, Valderrama, Vaughn, and C. Wilson

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

Self-Service Storage Facilities – Enforcement of Lien – Advertisement of Sale

FOR the purpose of authorizing a sale to enforce a lien on personal property stored in a leased space at a self-service storage facility to be advertised in any commercially reasonable manner specified in the rental agreement or a written change to the rental agreement; establishing that the manner of advertisement shall be deemed commercially reasonable under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to self-service storage facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 18–504(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 18–504(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 787 – Delegates McMillan, Fisher, Kramer, Sophocleus, and Szeliga

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Dedicated State Funds Protection Act

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution prohibiting certain transfers of dedicated State funds to the General Fund except for certain purposes under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor to include certain provisions in the budget that provide for the repayment of certain dedicated State funds under certain circumstances within a certain period of time; defining a certain

term; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 53A

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 788 – Delegates Jalisi, C. Wilson, Angel, Atterbeary, B. Barnes, Clippinger, Conaway, Ebersole, Fennell, Hornberger, C. Howard, Kaiser, Korman, Lam, Metzgar, Moon, Pena–Melnik, Platt, B. Robinson, Shoemaker, Smith, Tarlau, Turner, Vogt, A. Washington, M. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients; establishing eligibility requirements for participation in the Program; providing for the amount, duration, renewal, and uses of certain awards; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 18–3101 through 18–3106 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 31.
Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 789 – Delegates Lierman, Buckel, Ebersole, Hayes, Hornberger, Metzgar, Platt, Shoemaker, and West

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Angel Investor Tax Credit Program

FOR the purpose of allowing a credit against the State income tax for a certain percentage of an investment, not to exceed a certain amount, made in certain qualified

innovation businesses; requiring qualified innovation businesses to meet certain certification requirements; requiring a qualified investor to meet certain requirements in order to be eligible for the credit; requiring the qualified investor to make a certain application, at least a certain number of days before making an investment, to the Department of Business and Economic Development; requiring the Department to certify, within a certain number of days of the application, the amount of the credit; requiring, under certain circumstances, the Secretary to issue initial and final tax credit certificates; requiring a qualified investor to make a certain investment and provide certain proof within a certain period of time; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the Department to rescind a tax credit; providing that the Secretary may not certify eligibility for tax credits for investments in a single qualified innovation business that in the aggregate exceed a certain percentage of the total appropriations to a certain Reserve Fund for that fiscal year; requiring the Secretary to certify a certain percentage of tax credits for investments in certain qualified innovation businesses; making the credit nonrefundable; establishing the Maryland Angel Investor Tax Credit Reserve Fund as a special continuing, nonlapsing fund; requiring the Department to administer the Reserve Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Reserve Fund; specifying the contents of the Reserve Fund; requiring the Governor to make an appropriation to the Reserve Fund each fiscal year; requiring, each quarter, that the Department notify the Comptroller of a certain amount and the Comptroller to transfer a certain amount from the Reserve Fund to the General Fund; providing for the recapture of the credit under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department, after a certain notification and opportunity for appeal, to revoke a credit; requiring a qualified innovation business that receives an investment to report certain information each year to the Department; requiring the Department to report certain information in a certain manner on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Comptroller, to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for certain qualified business investments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 2–123(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 790 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Board of Education – Alternative Teacher Certification Program

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Washington County Board of Education to establish an alternative teacher certification program; authorizing the Board to declare a critical teacher shortage and certify certain candidates to fill certain teacher shortage vacancies in certain areas during a certain time period; specifying who may fill a certain vacant position during the school year; providing that a candidate hired to fill a critical shortage teacher vacancy is not eligible for a certain certificate except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to an alternative teacher certification program in Washington County.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 6–122

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 791 – Delegates McComas, Anderson, Carozza, Dumais, Kittleman, McConkey, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Restorative Justice Programs

FOR the purpose of adding community conferencing, community mediation, and similar agreements to the list of requirements for the entering of a nolle prosequi or stet for which a certain petition for expungement of court, police, and other governmental records may be filed; prohibiting the filing of a certain petition for expungement until community conferencing, community mediation, or certain other agreements are completed under certain circumstances; prohibiting expungement under certain circumstances; and generally relating to expungement of court, police, and other governmental records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 792 – Delegates A. Washington, Ebersole, Fennell, Ghrist, Hornberger, C. Howard, Long, Metzgar, Patterson, Reilly, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Tarlau, and Valderrama

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax Credit – Elderly Homeowners

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain residential property owned by an individual who is at least a certain age, who was a resident of the property for a certain number of years, who is making regular mortgage payments, and whose household gross income and net worth does not exceed a certain amount; providing for the amount of the property tax credit; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to provide, by law, for regulations, procedures, and any other provision necessary to carry out the tax credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for certain residential property.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–257

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 793 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – County Clerk

FOR the purpose of altering the duties of the County Clerk of Washington County; repealing a requirement that the County Clerk execute a certain bond before beginning the duties of the office; repealing a requirement that the bond of the County Clerk be recorded and be liable for a certain default or misappropriation of certain money or funds; repealing a requirement that each Washington County agency file with the County Clerk the names and addresses of all attorneys representing the agency; repealing a requirement that each Washington County agency file with the County Clerk the names and addresses of all members of the agency who are attorneys; repealing requirements that the County Clerk maintain certain lists of names filed by each Washington County agency; and generally relating to the County Clerk of Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Washington County
Section 1–202(a), 3–602, and 3–603
Article 22 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2007 Edition and October 2010 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 794 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Liquor Tasting License

FOR the purpose of authorizing a special liquor tasting license to be issued in Washington County; authorizing the license to be issued only to a holder of Class A (off-sale) beer, wine and liquor license; establishing the annual license fee; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Washington County to issue the license for certain purposes; prohibiting the holder of the license from charging for the liquor tasting or sampling; providing for the number of days in a licensing year that the license is effective; requiring the licensee to notify the Board in writing a certain number of days in advance of a scheduled tasting date; prohibiting a licensee from holding more than one liquor, beer, or wine tasting event on the same day; limiting the number of bottles that may be open at any one time during the tasting event; prohibiting the contents of certain bottles from being mixed; requiring certain bottles to be destroyed; limiting the number of servings for each customer; requiring the Board to adopt regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to a special liquor tasting license in Washington County.

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–9A–02
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 795 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Board of License Commissioners – Expungement of Violations

FOR the purpose of requiring, in Washington County, violations of the alcoholic beverages laws of the State to be expunged by the Washington County Board of License Commissioners after a certain period of time; and generally relating to the

expungement of violations by the Washington County Board of License Commissioners.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16–508.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 796 – Delegates W. Miller and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority – Executive Director and General Counsel – Appointment and Compensation

FOR the purpose of altering the appointment of the executive director and the general counsel for the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority; requiring the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority to recommend to the Governor compensation for the executive director and the general counsel; and generally relating to the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 3–903(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 3–903(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 797 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Population Ratio Quota

FOR the purpose of altering the population ratio quota that applies to the issuance of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Washington County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–222(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 798 – Delegates Hornberger, Ghrist, Glenn, Kittleman, Long, Luedtke, McComas, Metzgar, A. Miller, Patterson, B. Robinson, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Tarlau, Turner, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Plumbing – Grounds for Disciplinary Action – Exception

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Board of Plumbing from denying a license to certain applicants or taking certain disciplinary action against certain licensees on a certain ground; and generally relating to the State Board of Plumbing and the licensure of providers of plumbing and gas services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 12–312(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 12–312(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 799 – Delegates P. Young, Clippinger, Jones, McIntosh, Smith, Sydnor, C. Wilson, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Exemption From Nonresident Tuition – Veterans and Dependents

FOR the purpose of exempting certain spouses and dependents of certain veterans of the United States armed forces from paying nonresident tuition at certain public institutions of higher education in the State; altering certain eligibility requirements

for certain veterans to qualify for nonresident tuition at certain public institutions of higher education; and generally relating to tuition charges for veterans of the United States armed forces and their dependents.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 15–106.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 800 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Maryland Building Performance Standards – Modifications – Local Enforcement

FOR the purpose of requiring Washington County to implement and enforce certain modifications of the Maryland Building Performance Standards adopted by the State no later than a certain period of time for certain portions of the Standards starting with modifications that are effective on a certain date and at a certain frequency thereafter; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to Washington County and local implementation and enforcement of modifications to the Maryland Building Performance Standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–505
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 801 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Conversion of Class P Licenses

FOR the purpose of establishing in Washington County a Class B beer (on–sale) license, a Class B beer and light wine (on–sale) license, and a Class B beer, wine and liquor (on–sale) license; specifying certain license fees; repealing provisions of law concerning a Class P pouring license; authorizing the Washington County Board of License Commissioners to issue a sidewalk cafe license to a holder of certain Class B licenses under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to issue certain Class

B (on-sale) licenses only if an applicant is a restaurant that meets certain requirements; specifying that certain Class B (on-sale) licenses are not subject to certain population ratio quota requirements; specifying that the Class B (on-sale) licenses authorize the holder to sell certain alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption; specifying the term of Class B (on-sale) licenses; requiring a license holder to comply with a request from the Board to submit certain information for a certain report under certain circumstances; specifying standards for the information contained in a certain report submitted to the Board; providing for the conversion of certain Class P licenses to Class B (on-sale) licenses or Class D (on-sale) licenses on a certain date; requiring a license holder, as a condition of having a Class P license converted, to submit a certain report under certain circumstances; requiring a certain applicant to attest that the applicant will comply with a certain requirement under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 3-201(a), 5-201(a), and 6-201(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 3-201(w), 5-201(w), 6-201(w), 6-709, 8-222, and 9-222

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8-222.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 802 – Delegates Hixson, Moon, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Inter-Generational Center Expansion

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Easter Seals of Greater Washington–Baltimore Region, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the

encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 803 – Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, Morhaim, Carr, Cluster, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Holmes, Korman, Lafferty, Lam, Otto, and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Industrial Hemp – Legalization

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to plant, grow, harvest, possess, process, sell, or buy industrial hemp in the State; requiring a person to register with the Department of Agriculture before planting or growing industrial hemp; altering the definition of “marijuana” for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to controlled dangerous substances to exclude industrial hemp; providing for the termination of a certain provision of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the legalization of industrial hemp in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 14–101 to be under the new title “Title 14. Industrial Hemp”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–101(r)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 804 – Delegates Hixson, Moon, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Four Corners Community Outreach Site

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Silver Spring United Methodist Church for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 805 – Delegate Cullison

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists – Examination of Applicants, Licensees, Certificate Holders, and Trainees

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists to require certain applicants, licensees, certificate holders, and trainees to submit to a mental health or physical examination under certain circumstances; providing that certain applicants, licensees, certificate holders, or trainees are deemed to have consented to submit to an examination and to have waived a certain claim of privilege under certain circumstances; providing that a certain report or testimony of a certain health care practitioner is confidential, except under certain circumstances; providing that the failure or refusal of a certain applicant, licensee, certificate holder, or trainee to submit to a certain examination is prima facie evidence of the inability to practice competently, unless the Board makes a certain finding; requiring the Board to pay the reasonable cost of certain examinations for certain licensees, certificate holders, or trainees; requiring certain applicants to pay the reasonable cost of a certain examination; and generally relating to the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists and examinations of applicants, licensees, certificate holders, and trainees.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 17–513.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 806 – Delegates Miele, Moon, and Tarlau

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Vacancies – Special Elections

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution requiring a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate or Senator if the vacancy occurs at a certain time during the term of office; requiring that a special election be held concurrently with the next ensuing regular presidential and congressional election; establishing certain procedures for the special election; specifying the term of office for a member elected by special election; making certain clarifying changes; making certain stylistic changes; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; and generally relating to special elections to fill vacancies in the General Assembly.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 6, 7, and 13

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article XVII – Quadrennial Elections
Section 1 through 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 807 – Delegates Glass, Dumais, Vallario, Anderton, Atterbeary, Aumann, Buckel, Fisher, Ghrist, Jacobs, Kaiser, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, McComas, McDonough, McKay, Metzgar, A. Miller, Moon, Parrott, Reilly, Rey, Simonaire, Smith, Sophocleus, and West

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Protective Orders – Additional Relief

FOR the purpose of authorizing a judge in a final protective order to order the respondent to remain a specified distance away from the residence, place of employment, school, or temporary residence of a person eligible for relief; and generally relating to protective orders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–506(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 808 – Delegates Beidle and Frush

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Operation of Vehicle When Approaching a Service Vehicle

FOR the purpose of requiring drivers approaching a service vehicle that is stopped, standing, or parked on a highway and using certain visual signals, unless otherwise directed by a police officer or a traffic control device, to make a lane change into an available lane not immediately adjacent to the service vehicle under certain circumstances or to slow to a reasonable and prudent speed that is safe for certain existing conditions under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the rules of the road when approaching service vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–405(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 22–201 and 22–218(c)(6) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 809 – Delegate McMillan

AN ACT concerning

Municipalities – Parking Authorities

FOR the purpose of authorizing a municipality that is organized under Article XI–E of the Maryland Constitution to create a parking authority as a body politic and corporate as provided under the Parking Authorities Act; requiring that a municipality pass a local law to establish the charter for the authority and to file the charter with certain units of State government; authorizing a municipality to amend the authority's charter and change the structure or activity of or terminate the authority under certain circumstances; requiring a municipality to establish by local law certain requirements for members of an authority and certain budgetary and financial procedures of the authority; authorizing a municipality to authorize an authority to take certain actions; requiring a municipality to determine certain matters by local law in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale, delivery, and payment of certain revenue bonds as authorized under the Parking Authorities Act; authorizing a municipality to guarantee certain revenue bonds; prohibiting a municipality from granting an authority independent tax authority; exempting certain revenue bonds and related matters from any referendum requirements under a municipal charter

or local law; and generally relating to authorization for a municipality to creating a parking authority under the Parking Authorities Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 1–101(a) and (g), 18–101, 18–110, 18–111, 18–113 through 18–115, and 18–119 through 18–121

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 18–103 through 18–109, 18–112, and 18–116 through 18–118

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 810 – Delegates Lierman, Buckel, Fennell, Hettleman, Hixson, Kaiser, Platt, Shoemaker, Turner, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit – Business Incubators

FOR the purpose of altering certain eligibility criteria for certain credits under the One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit to include certain persons who establish or expand a business facility that, for certain business incubators, creates a certain aggregate number of qualified positions at the facility under certain circumstances; requiring, in order to be certified as a certain qualified business entity for certain credits, a certain business incubator to submit certain information to the Secretary of Business and Economic Development; altering the manner in which the amount of a certain start–up tax credit is calculated for each taxable year; authorizing, under certain circumstances, certain business incubators to claim a certain start–up tax credit on a prorated basis if the aggregate number of qualifying positions filled by the businesses at the business incubator’s facility meets certain requirements; providing that the total amount claimed as a refund under certain circumstances may not exceed a certain amount; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit and certain business incubators.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 6–401(a), (f), and (g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 6–402 and 6–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–247(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 811 – Delegates Hornberger, Buckel, Cassilly, and Metzgar

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Historic Motor Vehicles – Minimum Age

FOR the purpose of increasing the age that a motor vehicle must attain in order to be eligible for registration as a historic motor vehicle; and generally relating to historic motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 812 – Delegates Hornberger, Arentz, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Ghrist, Jacobs, Luedtke, W. Miller, Otto, Parrott, Reilly, Shoemaker, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – All-Terrain Vehicles – Access to Farms

FOR the purpose of authorizing a local authority to allow a person to cross a highway under its jurisdiction on an all-terrain vehicle at a right angle to access a farm or to move from one part of a farm to another part of the same farm; and generally relating to the use of an all-terrain vehicle to access a farm.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation

Section 25–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 813 – Delegates A. Washington, Morales, D. Barnes, Carter, Conaway, Patterson, Smith, and Sydnor

AN ACT concerning

State Prosecutor – Law Enforcement Officer–Involved Deaths

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Prosecutor to investigate a criminal offense related to the death of an individual resulting directly or indirectly from an act or omission of a law enforcement officer under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the State Prosecutor.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 14–107(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 814 – Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, Gutierrez, McKay, A. Miller, and Parrott

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Intercounty Connector – Maximum Speed Limit

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum speed limit on the Intercounty Connector; defining a certain term; and generally relating to maximum speed limits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–321(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–801.1(b), (d), and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 21–801.1(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 815 – Delegate Lafferty

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Oyster Shell Recycling – Transfer of Credit

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual or a corporation to sell and transfer a certain verification required for a certain credit against the State income tax for each bushel of oyster shells recycled during the taxable year; requiring the Department of Natural Resources and the Comptroller to jointly adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for oyster shell recycling.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–724.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 816 – Delegates B. Wilson, Cluster, Folden, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Evidence – Membership in or Association With a Criminal Gang

FOR the purpose of authorizing the admissibility of certain evidence in a civil or criminal proceeding to prove membership in or association with a criminal gang; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the admissibility of evidence relating to criminal gang members and associates.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10–923

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 9–801(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 817 – Delegates McComas, Adams, Arentz, Beitzel, Cassilly, Cluster, Ghrist, Hornberger, Impallaria, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, Mautz, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morhaim, Otto, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Malpractice – Limitation on Noneconomic Damages

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limitation on noneconomic damages in health care malpractice claims; making conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to altering a certain limitation on noneconomic damages in health care malpractice claims.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–09(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–09(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 818 – Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, Pena–Melnyk, Barkley, Carr, Morales, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Rules of the Road – Lane Changes

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a driver may move out of or into a lane by authorizing the move when it is safe to do so rather than when the driver has determined it is safe to do so; and generally relating to rules of the road for driving on laned roadways.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–309(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 819 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Glenn, Oaks, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Officers – Alcohol and Drug Testing – Required

FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement agency to order a law enforcement officer to submit to certain alcohol and drug testing if the officer was involved in a certain incident; and generally relating to alcohol and drug testing of law enforcement officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 820 – Delegate Lafferty

AN ACT concerning

One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit – Distressed Municipal Corporations

FOR the purpose of expanding the eligibility requirements for the One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit to include certain qualified businesses that establish or expand a certain business facility that is located in a distressed municipal corporation; altering a certain definition; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 1–101(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 6–401, 6–402(b), 6–403(a), 6–404, and 6–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 821 – Delegates Simonaire and Kipke

AN ACT concerning

**Environment – Cox Creek Citizens Oversight Committee – Composition –
Second Duties**

FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the Cox Creek Citizens Oversight Committee; altering the duties of the Oversight Committee; and generally relating to the Cox Creek Citizens Oversight Committee.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 5–1101(a)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 5–1102.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 822 – Delegate Frush

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Credit for Long–Term Care Premiums

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limitation on a certain credit against the State income tax for certain long–term care insurance premiums paid by a taxpayer; altering the amount a taxpayer may claim as a credit for certain long–term care insurance purchased after a certain date; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a certain income tax credit for eligible long–term care premiums.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–718

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 823 – Delegates Hill, Angel, Barron, Carter, Davis, Ebersole, Fennell, Gaines, Healey, Lam, McComas, McDonough, Morales, Oaks, B. Robinson, Turner, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Establishment of a Sickle Cell Disease Outreach Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish, before a certain date, a certain sickle cell disease outreach program; requiring that the outreach program provide certain programs, support, and services; and generally relating to the establishment of a sickle cell disease outreach program by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 18–507
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 824 – Delegates Hixson, Cullison, Hornberger, Moon, Platt, Smith, Tarlau, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Landlord and Tenant – Residential Leases and Just Cause Evictions

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a landlord from using a lease containing a provision that requires a tenant to carry renter's insurance naming the landlord as beneficiary; prohibiting a certain landlord from evicting a tenant in the absence of just cause; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to residential leases.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Real Property
Section 8–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8–208(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 8–217
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 825 – Delegates Frush and Pena–Melnik

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Carbon Monoxide Poisoning – Portable Generators

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Fire Prevention Commission to adopt comprehensive regulations to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning as part of the State Fire Prevention Code; providing that the Code shall comply with certain standards; prohibiting a person from using a portable generator in a certain manner; establishing that each day on which a violation of certain provisions of this Act continues after knowledge or official notice of the violation is a separate offense; providing for penalties for a violation of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to carbon monoxide poisoning and portable generators.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 6–206(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 6–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 9–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 826 – Delegates Hixson, D. Barnes, Ebersole, Fennell, C. Howard, Platt, Turner, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Alternative Payment Schedule – Penalty Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain penalty for late payment of the Maryland estate tax if a certain alternative payment schedule is allowed by the Comptroller and the tax is paid in accordance with the alternative payment schedule; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to alternative payment schedules for the payment of the Maryland estate tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 827 – Delegates Hixson, Ebersole, Fennell, C. Howard, Luedtke, Platt, Turner, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverage Taxes – Wine Tax Revenue Distribution

FOR the purpose of distributing certain alcoholic beverage tax revenues to the Maryland Wine and Grape Promotion Fund; and generally relating to wineries and alcoholic beverage taxes in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–1102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–1102(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 5–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 828 – Delegates Hixson, D. Barnes, Fennell, C. Howard, Platt, Turner,
and M. Washington**

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Filing of Tax Returns

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements for filing certain estate tax returns so as to require that they be filed with the Comptroller only; and generally relating to filing Maryland estate tax returns.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–305(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 829 – Delegate Frush

AN ACT concerning

Condominiums – Warranty Claims

FOR the purpose of establishing that, notwithstanding any provision in the declaration, bylaws, or rules and regulations of the condominium, a council of unit owners has the right to be involved in a certain manner in certain litigation or administrative proceedings affecting the condominium and to enforce implied warranties made to the council of unit owners by the developer; making unenforceable a provision of a declaration, a bylaw, a contract for the initial sale of a unit, or any other instrument made by a developer or vendor in accordance with certain provisions of law relating to certain claims that purports to shorten the statute of limitations applicable to the claim, purports to waive the application of a certain rule, or requires a unit owner or the council of unit owners to assert a certain claim within a certain period of time under certain circumstances; making unenforceable a provision of a declaration, a bylaw, a contract for the initial sale of a unit, or any other instrument made by a developer or vendor in accordance with certain provisions of law that requires a certain vote of unit owners as a precondition to the institution or maintenance of

certain proceedings unless the council of unit owners adopts the provision under certain circumstances; and generally relating to warranty claims for condominiums.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 11–109(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 11–134.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 830 – Delegates Lisanti and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation Act – Frivolous Proceedings – Required Finding

FOR the purpose of requiring, for the purpose of assessing certain costs under a certain provision of law, the Workers’ Compensation Commission to find under certain circumstances that a person has brought a proceeding under the Workers’ Compensation Act without any reasonable ground; and general relating to frivolous proceedings under the Workers’ Compensation Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–734
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 831 – Delegates Lisanti, Cassilly, Ghrist, Glass, Hornberger, Impallaria, McComas, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Harford County – Regional Fire and Rescue Boat

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Havre de Grace and the Board of Directors of the Susquehanna Hose Company, Inc. for certain

development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 832 – Delegate Frush

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Licensed Tree Experts – Insurance and Fees

FOR the purpose of requiring an insurer that provides proof of liability or property damage coverage to a licensed tree expert to notify the Department of Natural Resources in a certain manner of any termination of either type of insurance coverage; repealing certain restrictions on the amounts of the application or renewal fees for tree expert licenses; authorizing the Department to permanently revoke or suspend the license of any tree expert who fails to maintain certain liability or property damage insurance; and generally relating to insurance and fees for licensed tree experts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 5–418, 5–419, and 5–421(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 833 – Delegates Frush, Davis, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gilchrist, Healey, Holmes, A. Miller, S. Robinson, Tarlau, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches – Relationship With Dealers

FOR the purpose of requiring a manufacturer to make certain payments to dealers based on the average benefit, incentive, and rebate amounts paid to all dealers in the State; altering the application of a certain prohibition against a manufacturer coercing the purchase of goods by dealers to include the purchase of certain promotional materials; repealing the authority of a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch to offer certain goods or services to a dealer subject to a certain approval; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from requiring or coercing a dealer to waive the dealer's right to a jury trial; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or

factory branch from retaliating against certain persons because of certain legislation that regulates the franchise relationship; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from sanctioning or denying benefits to a dealer because of certain speech used by the dealer; altering certain provisions relating to advertising to prohibit manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches from allowing their franchised dealers to use deceptive advertising; requiring a manufacturer to consent or object to a certain transfer of a franchise within a certain period of time; repealing a requirement that a certain claim be made in the manner and form reasonably prescribed by the manufacturer or distributor; repealing a requirement that certain claims by dealers be substantiated by evidence that the claims were handled according to manufacturer warranty guidelines; increasing the maximum fine for certain violations committed by manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches; providing for the recovery of reasonable court costs resulting from certain violations committed by manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches under certain circumstances; clarifying that certain costs and attorney's fees arising out of a certain administrative hearing are recoverable; and generally relating to the relationship between dealers and manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 15–207(h)(1) and (k), 15–210, 15–211(e), 15–212(c) and (d), and 15–213

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 15–207(l) and 15–207.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 15–211(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 834 – Delegates Grammer, Arentz, Aumann, Bromwell, Ciliberti, Cluster, Ebersole, Flanagan, Folden, Hayes, Hill, Impallaria, Jalisi, Kipke, Krebs, Lam, Long, McDonough, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, Morhaim, Rey, Saab, Smith, Szeliga, Vogt, West, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Junior Advancement via Association Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing a student who is a participant in a certain career and development activity to prepare and sell beverages in conjunction with the career and development activity, notwithstanding any federal law relating to nutrition standards for beverages sold in schools; and generally relating to the preparation and sale of beverages as part of a career exploration and development activity.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–423.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 835 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Refillable Container Permit

FOR the purpose of establishing a refillable container permit in Washington County; authorizing the Washington County Board of License Commissioners to issue a refillable container permit to the holders of certain licenses for certain fees and subject to certain requirements; specifying that the permit entitles the holders to sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a certain type of container; specifying certain standards that a refillable container must meet; specifying that the permit is the same as that of the underlying license; specifying certain permit fees; specifying certain advertising, posting of notice, and public hearing requirements; specifying the hours of sale for the permit; authorizing a permit holder to refill only a container that meets certain standards; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Washington County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–222.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 21–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 836 – Washington County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wine Tasting License for Class B License Holders – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority for a certain wine tasting license to be issued to a certain Class B (on-off sale) beer, wine and liquor license holder; and generally relating to a wine tasting license for Class B license holders in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8-411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 837 – Delegates Parrott, Buckel, S. Howard, Krebs, Long, Metzgar, Morgan, Shoemaker, and B. Wilson**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Motor Fuel Tax and Highway User Revenue – Increased Local Share

FOR the purpose of allocating certain motor fuel tax revenue to a certain account that is shared with local governments; increasing the portion of highway user revenue that is distributed to local governments; altering the allocation of the local share of highway user revenue among Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities; proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution mandating that revenue be credited to a certain account and distributed from that account in a certain manner; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; repealing obsolete language; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to increasing the portion of motor fuel tax and highway user revenue that is distributed to local governments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 2-1103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 8–402 and 8–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 53A

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 838 – Delegates Hill, Atterbeary, Barkley, Barron, Carter, Davis, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gaines, Lam, Lisanti, Luedtke, Morales, Oaks, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Mandated Benefits – In Vitro Fertilization and Artificial Insemination Procedures

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from excluding benefits for certain expenses arising from artificial insemination procedures performed on certain individuals; requiring a policyholder or subscriber, whose expenses for certain in vitro fertilization or artificial insemination procedures are covered under certain benefits, to be married; applying a certain condition of providing benefits for certain expenses arising from in vitro fertilization or artificial insemination procedures only to a patient whose spouse is capable of producing sperm; requiring certain benefits to be provided when the patient and the patient's spouse are of the same sex; altering the guidelines and standards to which medical facilities performing certain covered procedures must conform; making certain technical corrections; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to mandated health insurance benefits for in vitro fertilization and artificial insemination procedures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–810
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 839 – Delegate Morales

AN ACT concerning

Education – Institutions of Higher Learning – Affirmative Consent Standard

FOR the purpose of requiring, by a certain date, that a policy on sexual assault adopted by the governing board of each institution of higher education include a certain affirmative consent standard; requiring a certain written policy on sexual assault to include a certain standard and certain statements; requiring a certain sexual assault policy to provide that certain circumstances negate a valid excuse to an alleged lack of affirmative consent; providing that the standard used in a certain determination is the preponderance of evidence; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the sexual assault policy at institutions of higher education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–601(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 11–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 840 – Delegate Knotts

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Foreclosure – Prohibition on Deficiency Judgment

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a secured party from obtaining a deficiency judgment in an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on certain owner–occupied residential property that was recorded on or after a certain date; and generally relating to foreclosure actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 7–105.13
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 841 – Eastern Shore Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Eastern Shore Counties – Warrant Intercept Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of the Eastern Shore counties or individuals who have outstanding warrants from an Eastern Shore county; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 842 – Delegates Rey, Aumann, Carey, Cluster, Fisher, Grammer, Jameson, Kipke, Kittleman, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, W. Miller, Morgan, Patterson, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, B. Wilson, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Honorably Discharged Veterans – Handgun Permits

FOR the purpose of providing that an honorably discharged member of the armed forces of the United States or the National Guard is not required to possess a certain handgun qualification license in order to purchase, rent, or receive a certain handgun under certain circumstances; providing that a certain veteran may use a certain form to demonstrate that the veteran is not required to complete a certain certified firearms training course; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(c) and 5–306(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 843 – Delegates Hixson, D. Barnes, Ebersole, Fennell, C. Howard, Lafferty, Luedtke, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Tarlau, Turner, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Housing and Community Development – Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program Tax Credit – Maximum Contributions

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum sum of contributions for certain projects under the Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program that are eligible for a certain tax credit; and generally relating to the Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 6–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 844 – Delegates Branch, Barron, Brooks, Carter, C. Howard, Jones, Kipke, McCray, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Vaughn, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority – Small Business
Surety Bond Program**

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum amount that the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority may guarantee a surety under the Small Business Surety Bond Program; increasing the maximum amount of certain bonds that the Financing Authority may execute and perform as a surety under its surety program; and generally relating to the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–568 and 5–569
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 845 – Harford County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Cafe Licenses

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board to issue a special Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor license; specifying an annual Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor license fee; specifying that the Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor license entitles the holder to sell beer and wine for consumption on and off the premises and liquor for consumption on the premises; specifying that the Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor license is a 7–day license with an on–premises wine tasting privilege for a certain number of days; requiring the Board to set the maximum amount of Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor licenses that it may issue; requiring the Board to set a maximum and a minimum seating capacity for each Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor license it issues; authorizing the Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor license to be issued only if certain conditions are met; authorizing the Class B Cafe beer, wine and liquor license to be used for off–premises catering; repealing the prohibition against the Board issuing more than a certain number of Class B Cafe beer and light wine licenses and requiring the Board to set the maximum amount of Class B Cafe beer and light wine licenses that it may issue; repealing the prohibition against and authorizing the use of a Class B Cafe beer and light wine license for off–premises catering; and generally relating to Class B Cafe licenses in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 5–201(a) and (n)(1) and 6–201(a)(1) and (n)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 5–201(n)(6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(n)(10)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 846 – Delegates Vogt, K. Young, Angel, Brooks, Carozza, Folden, Frush, Jackson, Jacobs, Lam, Smith, Szeliga, A. Washington, C. Wilson, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Motor Vehicle Administration – Commercial Driver’s License – Program for Veterans and Service Members
(Troops to Trucks)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to establish a program to assist veterans and members of the military transitioning out of military service to obtain a commercial driver’s license and find employment; requiring the Administration, as part of the program, to waive a certain skills test for certain program participants; requiring the Administration to adopt certain regulations; making a conforming change; and generally relating to commercial drivers’ licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–807(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 16–807.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 847 – Delegate Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Victims of Human Trafficking – Exemption From Out-of-County Fees

FOR the purpose of exempting certain victims of human trafficking from paying a certain out-of-county fee at community colleges in the State; authorizing each board of community college trustees to waive a certain out-of-county fee for certain students; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to an exemption from the out-of-county fees for victims of human trafficking.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16-310(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 848 – Delegate Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County Public Schools Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to develop and operate a certain Web site that includes certain information about certain payments; specifying certain parameters of the Web site; requiring the Board to post certain information in a timely manner; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the development and operation of a searchable Web site by the Anne Arundel County Board of Education.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 5-119
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 849 – Delegate Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County Board of Education – Public School Holidays – References
in Official Publications
(Public School Holiday Protection Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the proper name of certain official school holidays from being removed, renamed, or prohibited from being referenced in any official publication of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education or public school under the jurisdiction of the board; and generally relating to references to public school holidays in official publications of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education or public schools under the jurisdiction of the board.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–103.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 850 – Delegates Gutierrez, Atterbeary, Carr, Carter, Flanagan, Fraser–Hidalgo, Ghrist, Glass, Hill, C. Howard, Kelly, Kittleman, Korman, Krebs, Lam, Mautz, McComas, McConkey, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Otto, Parrott, Pena–Melnyk, B. Robinson, Smith, Sophocleus, Tarlau, Turner, A. Washington, and West

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Congressional Districts – Standards and Process

FOR the purpose of adding a new article to the Maryland Constitution to govern congressional districts; requiring congressional districts to conform to certain standards and that due regard be given to certain boundaries; requiring the Governor to prepare a certain plan following each decennial census of the United States and after public hearings; requiring the Governor to present the plan to the presiding officers of the General Assembly; requiring the presiding officers to introduce the plan as a joint resolution within a certain time period; authorizing the Governor to call a special session for a certain purpose; authorizing the General Assembly to adopt a certain plan by joint resolution; requiring the General Assembly

plan to become law under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor's plan to become law under certain circumstances; providing that the Court of Appeals has certain jurisdiction to review a certain plan and authorizing the Court to grant certain relief under certain circumstances; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
New Article XX – Congressional Districts
Section 1 and 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 851 – Prince George's County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Towne Centre at Laurel – Class A License PG 316–15

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum number of certain Class A alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George's County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to convert a certain Class B–DD alcoholic beverages license to be a certain Class A alcoholic beverages license to be issued to an establishment located within the Towne Centre at Laurel; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–217(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–217(b)(11) and (f)(7)(iv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–217(o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 852 – Delegates Carter, Aumann, Brooks, Conaway, Glass, Glenn, Gutierrez, Haynes, Impallaria, Jacobs, Lierman, McCray, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Rey, B. Robinson, Shoemaker, Valentino–Smith, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Human Resources – Homeless Shelters – Safety and Security Measures

FOR the purpose of requiring the Interagency Council on Homelessness to study issues relating to the safety and security of individuals who stay in certain shelters for homeless individuals and make certain recommendations on measures to be adopted by certain shelters; requiring the Department of Human Resources to include in certain regulations certain measures to be adopted by certain shelters for homeless individuals; and generally relating to safety and security measures to be adopted by shelters for homeless individuals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 6–423 and 6–424
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 853 – Delegates Arentz, Carey, Cassilly, Folden, Ghrist, Hornberger, Jacobs, Mautz, W. Miller, and Otto

AN ACT concerning

Public Schools – Boards of Education – Anonymous Two–Way Text Messaging Tip Programs

FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education to establish an anonymous two–way text messaging tip program; establishing the purpose of the program; requiring each county board of education to publicize the program in certain locations and venues; requiring the completion of a victim of bullying, harassment, or intimidation report form and the provision of a certain transcript to a certain person on receipt of a report of any act of bullying, harassment, or intimidation from an anonymous two–way text messaging tip; establishing that information received from an anonymous two–way text messaging tip is confidential and may not be made a part of a student’s permanent educational record; requiring a certain model policy to include information regarding the availability and use of the program; and generally relating to the establishment of anonymous two–way text messaging tip programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 7–424 and 7–424.1(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 854 – Delegates Lisanti, Cassilly, Ghrist, Impallaria, Jalisi, Lam, McComas, McKay, Reilly, and Sample–Hughes

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Donations to Community Colleges

FOR the purpose of allowing a certain credit against the State income tax for a certain amount of donations to community colleges in the State; requiring certain taxpayers to add back certain income to federal adjusted gross income to determine Maryland adjusted gross income; requiring a certain individual or a certain corporation to apply to the Maryland Higher Education Commission a certain number of days before making a certain donation to a community college; requiring the Commission to approve certain applications on a first–come, first–served basis; providing for the contents of a certain application; requiring the Commission to issue certain initial tax credit certificates within a certain number of days after receiving a certain application; requiring the Commission to notify certain individuals and certain corporations if a certain application is denied; requiring certain individuals or certain corporations to make a certain donation and a certain notification within a certain number of days; requiring the Commission to rescind a certain initial tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; providing for the total amount of credits the Commission may certify for each taxable year; authorizing certain excess tax credits not certified during a certain taxable year to be carried over and certified during the next taxable year; requiring the Commission to make a certain report on or before a certain date; requiring the Commission and the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for certain donations made to a community college in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–204(a) and 10–305(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–204(m) and 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–305(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 855 – Delegates Knotts, Clippinger, Fennell, Jackson, and Korman

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Explorer Program – Funding

FOR the purpose of establishing the Law Enforcement Explorer Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; requiring the Governor, each fiscal year, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of a certain amount to the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; requiring the Executive Director to establish a certain application procedure; requiring a local law enforcement agency that makes a certain application to provide the Executive Director with certain information; requiring the Executive Director to make certain grants to certain local law enforcement agencies in a certain manner; requiring local law enforcement agencies to submit certain proof to the Executive Director; providing that money distributed for a law enforcement explorer program is to supplement and not supplant any other funding; requiring the Executive Director to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to funding for law enforcement explorer programs.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 4–601 through 4–604 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Law Enforcement Explorer Program Fund”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 856 – Delegates McComas, Carozza, Chang, and McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Child Abuse and Neglect – Failure to Report – Penalties and Training

FOR the purpose of making it a civil offense, subject to certain penalties, for a certain person acting in a professional capacity to fail to report child abuse under certain circumstances; making it a misdemeanor, subject to certain penalties, for a certain person acting in a professional capacity to fail to report child abuse under certain circumstances; authorizing a police officer to issue a citation for a certain civil violation under this Act; establishing that adjudication of a certain first-time civil violation is not a criminal conviction and does not impose certain civil disabilities; requiring the Department of Human Resources, in consultation with other stakeholders, to develop and make available to the public in a certain manner training on the identification and reporting of child abuse and neglect; requiring the Department to provide to certain organizations an opportunity to provide certain input regarding the development of the training; requiring the Department to make the training available to the public on or before a certain date; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–601.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 857 – Delegates Dumais and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Firearms – Transfer

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to inform a person convicted of a certain offense that the person is prohibited from possessing a firearm under certain provisions of law; providing that if a person commits a certain offense and the offense is a domestically related crime, the court shall order the person to transfer all firearms owned by the person or in the person's possession; providing for the procedure to transfer certain firearms; requiring a person who is subject to a certain order to file certain proof with the court or attest certain facts to the court; authorizing the disposal of a certain firearm under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to firearms and domestically related crimes.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–233
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–234
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 858 – Delegates Pena–Melynk, Platt, B. Barnes, Carr, Clippinger, Gutierrez, Haynes, Hill, Kelly, Korman, Lafferty, Lierman, Luedtke, Moon, Reznik, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, Valderrama, Vaughn, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Former Foster Care Adolescents –
Dental Care**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, subject to the limitations of the State budget, and as permitted by federal law, to provide dental care for certain former foster care adolescents; and generally relating to dental care services provided by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to former foster care adolescents.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(2)(x)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 859 – Delegate Bromwell

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Nonprofit Health Service Plans – Hearing and Order – Impact of Law or
Regulatory Action by Another State**

FOR the purpose of requiring, instead of authorizing, the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to hold a certain hearing relating to the impact of a law of another state on a nonprofit health service plan operating in this State; authorizing the Commissioner to conduct an examination instead of holding a hearing; adding a regulatory action by another state to the circumstances that require the Commissioner to hold a hearing or conduct an examination; adding a requirement by another state that a nonprofit health service plan operating in this State distribute or reduce its surplus to the circumstances that require the Commissioner to hold a hearing or conduct an examination; authorizing an order issued by the Commissioner to include certain actions; prohibiting a nonprofit health service plan from distributing or reducing its surplus under certain circumstances except with certain approval of the Commissioner; making certain conforming changes; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the impact of a law or regulatory action by another state on a nonprofit health service plan operating in this State and actions by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 14–124
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

**House Bill 860 – Delegates Stein, Anderson, Barkley, Carr, Frush, Lafferty,
Luedtke, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, and Waldstreicher**

AN ACT concerning

**Aquatic Invasive Species – Inspection and Decontamination of Vessels
(State Lakes Invasive Species Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to take certain actions for the inspection and decontamination of vessels; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; prohibiting a person from placing a vessel or having a vessel placed in a lake unless the person has taken certain actions; making a person who violates this Act guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to certain penalties; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the inspection and decontamination of vessels.

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources

Section 8–703.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 861 – Delegate M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Opioid Maintenance Programs – Licensing

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene include a requirement that the process for approval of a license for an opioid maintenance program include an assessment of a certain catchment area, the number of existing slots in opioid maintenance programs in a certain catchment area and the number of individuals in need of certain services in a certain catchment area, the severity of drug–related crime in a certain catchment area, the at–risk population of opioid addiction in a certain catchment area, the need for an opioid maintenance program in a certain catchment area, and a requirement that the Secretary issue a certain report; defining a certain term; requiring the Secretary to adopt a certain regulation increasing a certain fee; and generally relating to the licensing of opioid maintenance programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 8–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 862 – Delegates Moon, Cullison, Barkley, Carr, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gutierrez, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Lam, Luedtke, McIntosh, Morales, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, M. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Vital Records – New Certificates of Birth – Sex Change or Diagnosis of an Intersex Condition

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, under certain circumstances, to make a new certificate of birth for an individual whose sex has been changed or who has been diagnosed with an intersex condition; requiring that a certain sex designation and, under certain circumstances, a certain name be on the new certificate of birth; prohibiting a new certificate of birth from having certain markings or showing on its face certain changes; altering the circumstances under

which a seal on an original certificate of birth and certain records may be broken; altering the circumstances under which a copy of an original certificate of birth may be issued to an individual for whom a new certificate of birth was made under a certain provision of this Act; repealing language rendered obsolete by this Act; making conforming and clarifying changes; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the issuance of new certificates of birth.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–201, 4–211, and 4–214
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 863 – Delegates McComas, Chang, Jones, McDonough, B. Robinson, and West

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Hazing – Elements and Penalties

FOR the purpose of establishing that a person may not recklessly or intentionally do an act or create a situation that subjects a student to the risk of mental or emotional distress; providing that certain penalties apply to a certain offense; altering certain penalties; and generally relating to hazing.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–607
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 864 – Delegates Jacobs, Arentz, and Ghrist

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Board of Elections – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the number of regular members of the Kent County Board of Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of certain political parties; requiring that a vacancy on the local board be filled in a certain manner; making a conforming change; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the membership of the Kent County Board of Elections.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 2–201(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 102 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012 and Chapters
47 and 105 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014)

BY repealing
Article – Election Law
Section 2–204(b)(2)(ii)3.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 865 – Delegates Jacobs, Arentz, and Ghrist

AN ACT concerning

**Kent County – Tobacco Products Offenses – Citations Issued by Alcoholic
Beverages Inspectors**

FOR the purpose of authorizing an alcoholic beverages inspector for Kent County to issue a citation if the inspector has probable cause to believe that certain offenses involving the distribution of tobacco products or paraphernalia or the possession of tobacco products are being committed or have been committed; and generally relating to tobacco products offenses in Kent County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–107 and 10–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 866 – Delegates McComas, Jalisi, Kittleman, Smith, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Wiretapping and Electronic Surveillance – Law Enforcement and Public
Transportation – One-Party Consent for Interception of Oral Communications**

FOR the purpose of establishing that it is lawful under a certain provision of law for a certain law enforcement officer to intercept a certain oral communication under certain circumstances; establishing that it is lawful under a certain provision of law

for the Maryland Transportation Administration or other operator of a public transit service to intercept a certain oral communication under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the interception of oral communications.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–402(c)(11) and (12)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 867 – Delegates Carter, Oaks, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Public Information Act – State Public Information Act Compliance Board and State Policy

FOR the purpose of establishing the policy of the State regarding public records; establishing the State Public Information Act Compliance Board; providing for the composition, chair, terms, and meetings of the Board; prohibiting a member of the Board from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to provide staff for the Board; providing for the powers and duties of the Board; authorizing any person to file a certain complaint with the Board; requiring that the complaint contain certain information and be signed by the complainant; requiring the Board to take certain action regarding a complaint; requiring a custodian who receives a complaint from the Board to file a certain response within a certain time period; requiring the Board to maintain the confidentiality of a certain public record; authorizing the Board, under certain circumstances, to hold a certain conference; providing that a certain conference held by the Board is not a contested case; providing that compliance by a custodian with an order of the Board is not a certain admission and may not be used as evidence in a certain proceeding; repealing certain provisions of law related to the administrative review of a decision to deny inspection of a public record; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Board; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Public Information Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions
Section 4–101; and the amended part designation “Part VI. Judicial Review”
immediately preceding Section 4–361
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–104; and 4–1A–01 through 4–1A–09 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1A. State Public Information Act Compliance Board”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY repealing
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–361
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 868 – Delegates Hayes, Carter, Lierman, McCray, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Penalties for Sales to Underage Persons

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum fine that the Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners may impose for a first offense of selling alcoholic beverages to a person under a certain age; and generally relating to penalties for sales of alcoholic beverages to persons under a certain age in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 12–108(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 16–507(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 869 – Delegates Hornberger, Cassilly, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Cecil County – Cecil County Farm Museum

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Cecil County Farm

Museum, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 870 – Delegates Parrott, Flanagan, Glass, Kittleman, Metzgar, Shoemaker, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Elderly or Disabled Individuals

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for any income received by a certain individual who is at least a certain age or is totally disabled; repealing certain obsolete provisions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for income of a certain individual who is at least a certain age or is totally disabled.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–211(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 871 – Delegates S. Howard, Chang, Ghrist, Mautz, McComas,
Pena–Melnyk, Saab, Vitale, West, and B. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Individual Tax Preparers – Expiration and Surrender of
Registrations and Civil and Criminal Penalties**

FOR the purpose of providing that the registration issued to an individual tax preparer remains in effect and does not expire by operation of law under certain circumstances; providing that an extension of a certain registration term under certain circumstances is effective only for a certain purpose; prohibiting an individual tax preparer from surrendering a registration under certain circumstances; establishing certain criminal penalties for violations of certain provisions of law; authorizing the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers to impose a certain civil penalty for violations of certain provisions of law; requiring the Board to consider certain factors in setting the amount of a civil penalty; requiring the Board to pay certain penalties into the General Fund of the State; and generally relating to the registration of individual tax preparers and the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 21–101(a), (b), (e), (f), and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 21–314 and 21–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 872 – Delegates Kramer, Afzali, Atterbeary, Barkley, Campos, Carter,
Cluster, Folden, Fraser–Hidalgo, Glass, Jalisi, Krebs, Lam, Lierman,
McComas, Moon, Morales, Pendergrass, Platt, S. Robinson, Rosenberg,
Smith, Stein, Sydnor, Valentino–Smith, and P. Young**

AN ACT concerning

Drunk Driving Reduction Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring an individual who is convicted of a certain alcohol offense to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time and to successfully complete the Program; requiring the Administration to suspend for

an indefinite period, rather than revoke, the license of an individual who is convicted of a certain alcohol offense and who fails to participate in or successfully complete the Program; and generally relating to expanding participation in the Ignition Interlock System Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(a)(1), (4), and (5) and (d)(1)(ii) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(d)(1)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 873 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights

FOR the purpose of altering, for purposes of the Charles County Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights, the definition of “correctional officer” to exclude an officer who is in probationary status on initial entry into the correctional agency, subject to a certain exception; and generally relating to the rights of a correctional officer in Charles County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 11–1101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 874 – Delegates Reilly, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Flanagan, Glass, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kittleman, Krebs, Long, McComas, McDonough, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, Morgan, Otto, Parrott, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vitale, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Stormwater Management – Watershed Protection and Restoration Program –
Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that on or before a certain date a county or municipality subject to a certain municipal stormwater permit adopt and implement laws or ordinances to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the exemption of a county or municipality from certain requirements if the county or municipality has enacted and implemented a certain system of charges in a certain manner on or before a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality maintain or administer a local watershed protection and restoration fund in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish and annually collect a stormwater remediation fee in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish certain policies and procedures to reduce a certain stormwater remediation fee to account for certain measures; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the prohibition against the assessment of a stormwater remediation fee on a property by both a county and a municipality; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality determine the method, frequency, and enforcement of the collection of the stormwater remediation fee; repealing the requirement that certain money be deposited in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the uses of money in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality make publicly available a certain report beginning on a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish a certain hardship exemption program; repealing the authorization of the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; altering the definition of a certain term; repealing the definition of a certain term; and generally relating to stormwater management in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–201.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 875 – Delegates Long, Adams, Angel, Bromwell, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Glass, Grammer, Hixson, Hornberger, S. Howard, Kipke, Kittleman, Lam, Mautz, McDonough, Metzgar, Miele, Morgan, and Parrott

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Tax-Free Periods – University and College Textbooks

FOR the purpose of designating certain periods each year to be tax-free periods during which an exemption from the sales and use tax is provided for the sale of certain textbooks purchased by certain individuals; defining a certain term; and generally relating to sales and use tax-free periods for the sale of university and college textbooks.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–232

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 876 – Delegates Miele, Hettleman, Bromwell, Aumann, Cassilly, Cluster, Hill, Korman, Lierman, McComas, Metzgar, Pena-Melnyk, West, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Agriculture – Animal Shelters – Uniform Standards of Operation and Care
(Animal Shelter Standards Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of requiring an animal shelter to develop and adhere to a certain written veterinary care protocol; establishing certain requirements for the written veterinary protocol; requiring an animal shelter to meet certain veterinary care requirements; requiring an animal shelter to maintain certain holding periods; specifying certain criteria for an animal shelter to seize, impound, or otherwise take custody of a certain cat; requiring an animal shelter to take certain steps to determine the identity of an animal in its custody; requiring an animal shelter to make certain efforts to accommodate a person intending to adopt, foster, or transfer sheltered animals; specifying certain euthanasia requirements and protocol for an animal shelter; prohibiting an animal shelter from loaning a humane animal-capture trap to the public for a lethal purpose; requiring an animal shelter to obtain certain information from an individual borrowing a humane animal-capture trap; requiring an animal shelter to take certain actions for animals reported as lost; requiring an animal shelter to establish and maintain a certain list of certain organizations that accept animals for adoption, foster care, or feral cat management; requiring an animal shelter to maintain certain records in a certain manner; requiring an animal shelter to make the records maintained under this Act available to the public in a certain manner; making a person who violates certain provisions of this Act guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a certain fine; authorizing a person to bring a certain civil action; requiring the court to issue a

permanent injunction if the court makes a certain finding; requiring that a civil action under this Act be brought by a certain person; providing immunity for an animal shelter under certain circumstances; awarding court costs and attorney's fees to a person who brings a successful action; stating that the circuit court of the county where the violation occurred has jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; stating the intent and findings of the General Assembly; and generally relating to animal shelters.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 2–1701 through 2–1712 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Animal Shelters”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 877 – Delegates Jacobs, Arentz, and Ghrist

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Wine Shop and Lounge License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class B wine shop and lounge license in Kent County; specifying that the license authorizes the holder to sell wine for consumption on and off the premises and to sell or serve certain foods; providing that the license holder is not subject to any requirement regarding the percentage of average daily receipts derived from the sale of food; allowing an individual under the legal drinking age to enter the licensed premises; setting an annual license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Kent County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4–301 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Class B Wine Licenses”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 878 – Delegates Vaughn, Adams, Barkley, Branch, Clippinger, S. Howard, Lisanti, W. Miller, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Certified Public Accountants – Definitions – Attest and Practice Certified Public Accountancy

FOR the purpose of altering the definitions of “attest” and “practice certified public accountancy” as they relate to the Maryland Public Accountancy Act to include certain services and procedures performed in accordance with the Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements issued by a certain organization; and generally relating to the regulation of certified public accountants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 2–101(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 2–101(c) and (m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 879 – Delegate Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Property Tax Credit – Benefit Corporations and Benefit Limited Liability Companies

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain property owned or leased by a benefit corporation or benefit limited liability company; authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to provide, by law, for the eligibility criteria, amount, duration, application process, and other aspects of the credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to authorizing a property tax credit in Anne Arundel County for benefit corporations and benefit limited liability companies.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–303(b)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 880 – Delegates Lisanti, Cassilly, McComas, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Early Voting Centers – Parking

FOR the purpose of requiring each early voting center to have sufficient parking on-site to accommodate the maximum number of voters expected to be present at the early voting center at one time; and generally relating to parking at early voting centers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 10–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 881 – Delegate Frush

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Shoreline Risk Assessment, Preparation, and Adaptation Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Agriculture, on or before a certain date, to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the impacts of climate change on agriculture in the State; requiring the assessment to identify, evaluate, and quantify the economic impact of certain risks of climate change on agriculture in the State; requiring the assessment to examine the latest climate science, recommend certain preparation and adaptation strategies, and identify ways in which the Department of Agriculture may provide technical assistance to farmers; requiring the Department of Agriculture to update its assessment every certain number of years and to make it publicly available on its Web site; requiring the Department of Agriculture to consult with the Maryland Commission on Climate Change and the Coast Smart Council to complete the assessment; requiring the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science to establish certain sea level rise projections and update them every 5 years; requiring the sea level rise projections to include certain maps and to be made publicly available on the Internet; requiring the Department of the Environment, on or before a certain date and in consultation with the Commission on Climate Change and the Coast Smart Council, to conduct a certain assessment, update the assessment every 5 years, and make the assessment publicly available on the Internet; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to update the Maryland Environmental Policy Act guidelines to require the consideration of certain climate change risks; requiring a State capital project that involves the construction of a highway, beginning on a certain date, to be constructed in compliance with certain siting and design criteria established by the Coast Smart Council; requiring the Department of Planning, in consultation with the Coast Smart Council, to develop certain model local laws and ordinances; altering the State's

Economic Growth, Resource Protection, and Planning Policy to include the consideration of climate change risks; and generally relating to preparing for and adapting to climate change impacts in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture
Section 2–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Environment
Section 2–1212
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 1–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3–602.3 and 5–7A–01
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 882 – Delegate McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Workers Fairness Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an employer, under certain circumstances, to grant an individual who is either a United States citizen or lawfully present in the United States in accordance with federal law a hiring preference over an individual who has applied for certain deportation relief; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to applications for employment and certain hiring preferences.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–714
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 20–606(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 883 – Delegate Frush

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Well Drilling – Notice to Municipalities

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a well driller, when applying for a permit to drill a well, notify a municipality under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of the Environment to notify a municipality of an application for a permit to drill a well under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to permits to drill a well.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 884 – Delegates Lisanti, Adams, Aumann, Barkley, Branch, Glenn, Impallaria, Kelly, Kramer, Lam, McCray, Moon, Morales, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Counting of Properly Cast Ballots

FOR the purpose of requiring a ballot properly cast by a voter who dies before the ballot is canvassed to be counted in full unless a law or regulation requires that it be fully or partially rejected for a reason unrelated to the death of the voter; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the counting of a ballot properly cast by a voter who dies before the canvass.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 11–302(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 11–302(d)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 11–303.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 885 – Delegates Platt, Barron, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Ebersole, Fraser-Hidalgo, Gutierrez, Hixson, Jalisi, Korman, Lam, Luedtke, McCray, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Patterson, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Corporations – Political Expenditures – Stockholder Approval

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a corporation from using any money or other property of the corporation in connection with a political expenditure unless the stockholders, by a certain vote, have authorized in advance a certain amount of money or property that may be used for certain political expenditures and directed that the money or property be used for certain purposes; requiring stockholder consideration of political expenditures to occur at an annual or special meeting; requiring a corporation to give and, under certain circumstances, post a certain notice within a certain period of time after making a political expenditure; requiring the annual report of a corporation to contain certain information about political expenditures; authorizing the Attorney General, under certain circumstances, to bring a civil action to obtain certain remedies for a violation of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to political expenditures by corporations.

BY adding to
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 886 – Delegates Moon, Carr, Frush, Gutierrez, A. Miller, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, S. Robinson, Smith, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Bay Tax Equity Act

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain chicken manure pollution fee payable to the Comptroller by a certain poultry integrator in a certain manner; prohibiting a poultry integrator from recovering certain costs from certain farmers that raise chickens for certain purposes; requiring the Comptroller to transfer revenue from a certain fee to the Maryland Agriculture Water Quality Cost Share Program in the Department of Agriculture for certain cover crop activities; authorizing the Comptroller to distribute a certain amount in an administrative account for certain purposes; repealing certain provisions of law requiring the Comptroller to disburse certain funds from the Bay Restoration Fund to be used for certain cover crop activities; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to nutrient management in the Chesapeake Bay.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 8–704.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9–1605.2(h), (i)(2)(ii)3. and (ix), and (j)(6)(vi)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9–1605.2(j)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 887 – Delegates K. Young, Hill, Jalisi, Kelly, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, and Reznik

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance – Abuse–Deterrent Opioid Analgesic Drug Products –
Coverage**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from imposing certain limits or cost–sharing requirements on coverage for abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products that are less favorable to an insured or an enrollee than the limits or cost–sharing requirements that apply to coverage for any other opioid analgesic drug product; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from requiring an insured or an enrollee to first use a certain drug product before providing coverage for an abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug product; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from increasing certain cost–sharing requirements or other out–of–pocket expenses to achieve certain compliance; authorizing the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to undertake utilization review for an abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug product under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health insurance coverage for abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–848

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 888 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, D. Barnes, Cluster, Jalisi, McConkey, O’Donnell, Oaks, Rey, Vaughn, Walker, A. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Rebuttable Presumption of Joint Custody

FOR the purpose of creating a rebuttable presumption in certain court proceedings that certain custodial arrangements are in the best interests of a child; authorizing the court to grant sole custody under certain circumstances; and generally relating to child custody determinations.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 9–109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 889 – Delegates Carter, D. Barnes, Anderson, Barron, Conaway, Glass, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Impallaria, Lierman, McCray, McIntosh, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Platt, Proctor, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement of Records – Waiting Period for Acquittal, Nolle Prosequi, or Dismissal

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law establishing a 3–year period within which a petition for expungement based on an acquittal, a nolle prosequi, or a dismissal may not be filed unless the petitioner files with the petition a certain waiver and release; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–105(a), (a–1), and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–105(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 890 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

State and Local Police Officers – Liability Insurance – Required

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Police Training Commission from certifying an individual as a police officer unless the individual provides proof of professional liability insurance in a certain amount; requiring police officers to maintain professional liability insurance coverage during a certain period of employment; providing that certain professional liability insurance is primary coverage under certain circumstances and shall include coverage for certain acts or omissions; authorizing a law enforcement agency to reimburse a police officer for a certain premium under certain circumstances, with a certain limitation; prohibiting the

State, a county, or a municipal corporation from indemnifying a police officer in a certain amount except under certain circumstances; providing that the liability of a local government for a certain judgment is subject to certain provisions of law; providing that the authority of a local government to indemnify an employee under certain circumstances is subject to certain provisions of law; providing that the immunity of State personnel under certain circumstances is subject to certain provisions of law; providing that the authority of the State Treasurer to pay a certain tort claim under certain circumstances is subject to certain provisions of law; and generally relating to liability insurance for police officers of the State, counties, and municipal corporations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–303 and 5–522
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 12–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 891 – Delegate McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Voting Disclosure Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring a jury commissioner to provide certain prospective juror information concerning individuals who are not citizens of the United States to the State Board of Elections and the State Motor Vehicle Administration within a certain time period; requiring the State Administrator of Elections to make certain arrangements to receive the information; requiring the State Administrator to retain a list of certain individuals whose information has been submitted; requiring the State Administrator to direct a certain election director to remove an individual on a certain list from the statewide voter registration list; requiring the State Administrator to provide certain information to the Office of the United States Attorney for a certain purpose; requiring the State Administrator to publish

annually certain information on the State Board's Web site; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, on receipt of certain information, to review the status of a certain individual's driving privileges and cancel and order the surrender of the individual's license under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to issue an appropriate license to an individual who has surrendered a license under certain circumstances; authorizing a licensee to request a hearing under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the disclosure of juror information to the State Board of Elections and State Motor Vehicle Administration.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 8–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 3–504(a)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 16–206.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 892 – Baltimore County Delegation (By Request – Baltimore County Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Civil Actions – Subpoena for Police Officer – Liability of Party for Reimbursement of Cost

FOR the purpose of requiring a party who requests the issuance of a subpoena in certain civil actions to compel the attendance of a police officer employed by the Baltimore County Police Department to reimburse the police department for the cost of the police officer's salary and travel expenses to attend court; requiring a deposit in a certain amount to be tendered when the subpoena is served; requiring the deposit to be transmitted promptly to the Baltimore County Director of Finance; requiring the Director of Finance to hold the deposit in escrow for the police department; providing that a Baltimore County police officer is not required to attend court in response to a subpoena unless the required deposit has been paid; requiring proof of payment of

the deposit to be filed with proof of service of the subpoena; establishing that the party who requested issuance of a subpoena is liable to the police department for a certain amount under certain circumstances; requiring the Director of Finance to refund a certain amount to the party who requested issuance of a subpoena under certain circumstances; and generally relating to reimbursing the Baltimore County Police Department for certain costs and expenses.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–410
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 893 – Delegate M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Electric Companies – Customers – Security Deposits

FOR the purpose of requiring an electric company to notify customers regarding the reasons for which a customer may be required to pay a security deposit by prominently publishing notice in certain manners; requiring an electric company to give certain written notice to a certain customer at least a certain period of time before imposing a security deposit; requiring the notice to include certain information; requiring an electric company to attempt to work with a customer to avoid imposing a security deposit during a certain period; and generally relating to the imposition of security deposits by electric companies.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–310
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 894 – Delegates Platt, Carr, Ebersole, Fennell, A. Miller, Moon,
B. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, and Walker**

AN ACT concerning

**Primary and Secondary Education – Health and Safety – Sugar-Free Schools
Act**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain county boards to develop a certain plan on or before a certain date for reducing certain students' total sugar intake per school meal based on certain recommendations; requiring certain county boards to convene a certain workgroup to assist with the development of a certain plan; providing for the membership of a certain workgroup; requiring the workgroup to make certain recommendations; requiring a certain workgroup to hold a certain amount of public hearings and provide a certain opportunity for public testimony; and generally relating to the Sugar-Free Schools Act.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7-437

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 895 – Delegate Lafferty

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Education – Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Instructors

FOR the purpose of applying to Baltimore County a certain definition of “public school employee” that includes Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) instructors for the purpose of certain provisions of law related to organizations of certificated employees; and generally relating to representation for JROTC instructors in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 6-401(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 896 – Delegate Bromwell

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Consortium; prohibiting a member of the Consortium from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the

reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Consortium to develop, monitor implementation of, and revise a certain plan through a certain process; requiring the Consortium to convene a certain Policy Academy to identify certain focus areas and draft certain recommendations; requiring the Consortium to hold certain roundtables; requiring the Consortium to convene a final Policy Academy for a certain purpose; requiring the Consortium to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24–1701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 897 – Delegates A. Miller, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Korman, Lam, Waldstreicher, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Synthetic Infill Turf Fields – Informational Signs

FOR the purpose of requiring the owner or operator of a facility with a synthetic infill turf field to post a certain sign in a conspicuous location at the field informing users of the field of certain health and safety recommendations of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and generally relating to the posting of health and safety recommendations at synthetic infill turf fields.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24–1601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16. Synthetic Infill Turf Fields”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 898 – Delegates Bromwell, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Cullison, Dumais, Hammen, Hayes, Kipke, Krebs, Miele, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Pendergrass, Reznik, Saab, West, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Immunity From Liability – Emergency Medical Care for Drug Overdose

FOR the purpose of providing immunity from civil liability for a certain person administering medications or treatment in response to an apparent drug overdose if the person is trained and certified under certain protocols established by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; extending immunity under this Act to a corporation under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to civil liability for acts or omissions in giving emergency medical care.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 899 – Delegate Vogt

AN ACT concerning

Motor Fuel Tax – Distribution of Revenue – Local Governments

FOR the purpose of allocating certain motor fuel tax revenue to a certain account that is shared with local governments; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to increasing the portion of motor fuel tax revenue that is distributed to local governments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–1103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–402 and 8–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 900 – Delegates Dumais, Barkley, Barve, Carr, Cullison, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hixson, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman,

Kramer, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Waldstreicher, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Cornerstone Montgomery and Interfaith Works Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in certain years not to exceed \$350,000 each year, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Montgomery, Inc. and the Board of Directors of the Interfaith Works, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds each year, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund each year; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loans.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 901 – Delegates Hettleman, Morhaim, and Stein

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Gilead House Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$65,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Vestry of St. Mark's-on-the-Hill for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 902 – Calvert County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Public Facilities Bonds

FOR the purpose of authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$51,925,000 to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Calvert County, as herein defined, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at

public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; empowering the County to fix and determine, by resolution, the form, tenor, interest rate or rates or method of determining the same, terms, conditions, maturities, and all other details incident to the issuance and sale of the bonds; empowering the County to issue refunding bonds for the purchase or redemption of bonds in advance of maturity; empowering and directing the County to levy, impose, and collect, annually, ad valorem taxes in rate and amount sufficient to provide funds for the payment of the maturing principal of and interest on the bonds; exempting the bonds and refunding bonds and the interest thereon and any income derived therefrom from all State, county, municipal, and other taxation in the State of Maryland; providing that nothing in this Act shall prevent the County from authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds the interest on which is not excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes; and generally relating to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 903 – Delegate M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Exemption for Precious Metal Bullion and Coins – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a sales and use tax exemption for the sale of certain precious metal bullion and coins that exceeds a certain price; and generally relating to the repeal of the sales and use tax exemption for the sale of certain precious metal bullion and coins.

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–214.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 904 – Delegates Carter, Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, McCray, Oaks, and B. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement of Court and Police Records – Acquittal or Dismissal

FOR the purpose of requiring the expungement of certain court and police records relating to a certain criminal charge or civil offense or infraction under certain circumstances; requiring a certain law enforcement unit to search for certain information and send

a certain notice; requiring the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository, a certain booking facility, and a certain law enforcement unit to search for and expunge certain information and advise a certain person in a certain manner under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain police record from being expunged in a certain manner for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; requiring an expunged police record to be stored in a certain manner during a certain time period; establishing a certain legitimate reason to access certain records during a certain time period; authorizing a certain person to seek certain redress and recover certain court costs under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain person from being charged a certain fee or costs in connection with a certain expungement; providing that a certain charge is not a part of the same unit as another charge for the purposes of an expungement; and generally relating to the expungement of a court or police record.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 905 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Atterbeary, Dumais, Morales, Valentino–Smith, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Human Trafficking – Affirmative Defense

FOR the purpose of providing that, in a prosecution for a certain charge relating to prostitution, it is an affirmative defense of duress if the defendant committed the act as a result of being a victim of human trafficking or in order to acquire certain necessities; providing that a defendant intending on asserting a certain affirmative defense is required to provide the State’s Attorney with a certain notice; and generally relating to human trafficking.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law
Section 11–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 906 – Delegates Miele, Cassilly, Impallaria, Krebs, McComas, Metzgar, Shoemaker, and West

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Legislative and Congressional Districting – Standards and Processes

FOR the purpose of amending certain provisions of and adding a new article to the Maryland Constitution for the purpose of changing the legislative and congressional districting standards and processes; requiring that each Senate legislative district be subdivided into a certain number of House legislative districts each of which must contain a certain number of Delegates; specifying that legislative districts must be concise in form; requiring each legislative district to be drawn in a certain manner; establishing the Nonpartisan Districting Commission; providing for the membership, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Governor to conduct a certain lottery to select certain members of the Commission; requiring an individual to submit the individual's name to the Governor to be included in a certain lottery; prohibiting certain individuals from being included in a certain lottery; requiring the Governor to select and appoint members of the Commission within a certain time period; providing that certain members of the Commission cannot receive compensation, but are entitled to certain reimbursement; providing for the terms of members of the Commission; requiring the Commission to prepare and adopt certain districting plans; requiring certain plans to conform to certain provisions of law and this Act; requiring the Commission to begin with a certain area of the State when drawing certain lines; providing that a majority vote of the members of the Commission is required to adopt certain plans; providing that a certain plan on which certain members of the Commission agree shall be deemed adopted by the Commission under certain circumstances; requiring that certain plans become law on adoption by the Commission; altering the circumstances under which a legislative districting plan may be petitioned to judicial review; requiring the Court of Appeals to require the Commission to prepare and adopt different legislative and congressional plans under certain circumstances; providing that the petitioning party has a certain burden of proof; requiring congressional districts to meet certain standards and be drawn in a certain way; providing that certain due regard be given in drawing congressional districts; authorizing the Court of Appeals to have original jurisdiction in reviewing a certain districting plan; defining a certain term; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 3 through 5

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
New Article XX – Congressional Districting
Section 1 through 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 907 – Delegates W. Miller, Kittleman, Krebs, and Shoemaker

AN ACT concerning

Employees’ Pension System – Town of Sykesville – Service Credit

FOR the purpose of repealing a limitation on the amount of service credit an employee of the Town of Sykesville may receive for employment with the Town of Sykesville before the Town of Sykesville’s effective date of participation in the Employees’ Pension System as a participating governmental unit; repealing a provision made obsolete by this Act that prohibits an entitlement to service credit for certain employment under a certain circumstance; making a conforming change; and generally relating to participating governmental units in the Employees’ Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 31–111(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 31–111.5
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 908 – Delegates Ghrist, Arentz, Bromwell, Campos, Folden, Hornberger, Impallaria, Jackson, Jacobs, Jalisi, Kipke, Krebs, McComas, McKay, W. Miller, O’Donnell, Otto, Shoemaker, Vogt, A. Washington, M. Washington, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Law – Professional Counselors and Therapists – Misconduct
(Lynette’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain professional counselor or therapist from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a person who is receiving counseling from the professional counselor or therapist or who has received counseling from the professional counselor or therapist within a certain period of time; prohibiting a certain professional counselor or therapist from knowingly, and with intent to deceive, making a false statement concerning the person's criminal record on an employment application; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the conduct of professional counselors and therapists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 9–509
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 909 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Angel, Frick, Frush, Glenn, Jackson, McConkey, Tarlau, Vaughn, Walker, A. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority, to establish the Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders for certain purposes by a certain date; providing for the termination of the Program; requiring the Department to develop a certain evaluation process for the Program; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, to select certain individuals to participate in the Program; providing that a person selected by the Department to participate in the Program shall receive certain training and mentoring; requiring the Department to partner the individual with a certain mentor for a certain purpose; requiring the Department to assist the individual in obtaining certain financing through the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 11–1201 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 910 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Polybutylene Connection Pipe Replacement Loan Program
MC/PG 116–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to establish a Polybutylene Connection Pipe Replacement Loan Program; requiring the Program to provide for certain eligibility requirements; requiring the Program to require certain customers to repay the loan through a surcharge on the customer’s water and sewer bill; prohibiting the Commission from setting a surcharge greater than an amount that allows the Commission to cover certain costs; providing that a person who acquires property subject to a certain surcharge assumes the obligation to pay the surcharge; requiring the Commission to finance loans made through the Program through the Commission’s general fund; and generally relating to the Polybutylene Connection Pipe Replacement Loan Program of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 23–205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 911 – Delegates Anderson, Oaks, Fraser–Hidalgo, B. Barnes, Barve, Carr, Carter, Cullison, Fennell, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Hixson, Kelly, Korman, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Smith, Turner, Vaughn, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Marijuana Control and Revenue Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of repealing certain civil and criminal prohibitions against the use and possession of marijuana; establishing certain exemptions from prosecution for certain persons for using, obtaining, purchasing, transporting, or possessing marijuana under certain circumstances; providing that certain conduct is lawful; establishing certain exemptions from prosecution for certain retailers, marijuana product manufacturers, marijuana cultivation facilities, and safety compliance facilities in certain circumstances; establishing a certain affirmative defense; prohibiting a certain adult from cultivating marijuana under certain circumstances; requiring the Comptroller or the Comptroller's designee to establish certain procedures; providing that this Act does not exempt certain conduct from certain penalties; prohibiting a person from smoking marijuana in a public place; providing that employers are not required to accommodate certain conduct; authorizing landlords and innkeepers to prohibit certain behavior in certain locations; prohibiting a person from falsely representing the person's age for certain purposes; providing that this Act, by operation of law, expunges certain convictions; providing that this Act does not repeal or modify certain other statutes; establishing a procedure for a certain retailer, marijuana cultivation facility, or safety compliance facility to register under this Act; requiring the Comptroller to issue certain regulations for marijuana product manufacturer registration; authorizing local governments to enact certain ordinances or regulations not in conflict with this Act; prohibiting a retailer, a marijuana cultivation facility, or any other person from advertising in a certain manner; requiring a retailer to include a certain safety insert with the sale of marijuana; requiring a marijuana cultivation facility to create certain packaging; providing for the cultivation of marijuana in certain circumstances; requiring a certain marijuana cultivation facility to have certain documentation at certain times; prohibiting a retailer from selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing marijuana to a person under a certain age; prohibiting a retailer from allowing a person under a certain age to be present in a certain location under certain circumstances; prohibiting a retailer from selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing more than a certain amount of marijuana to a person in a single transaction, knowingly and willfully selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing an amount of marijuana to a person under certain circumstances, purchasing marijuana from a person other than a marijuana cultivation facility, or violating certain regulations; providing a certain defense; prohibiting a marijuana cultivation facility from allowing a person under a certain age to be present on certain premises under certain circumstances, selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing marijuana to certain persons, purchasing marijuana from certain persons, or purchasing or selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing marijuana in a certain manner; authorizing the Comptroller to suspend or terminate a certain registration under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain court action under certain circumstances; providing that it is not a violation of State or local law for a person to purchase and possess a material or product made, in whole or in part, with industrial hemp; requiring the Department of Agriculture to adopt certain rules and regulations; providing that a certain person is authorized to manufacture, produce, use, obtain, purchase, transport, or possess marijuana paraphernalia in a certain manner or to distribute or sell marijuana paraphernalia to certain persons; prohibiting a person under a

certain age from possessing marijuana; requiring the Governor to appoint a certain oversight committee; requiring the oversight committee to undertake certain duties; imposing a certain excise tax on marijuana cultivation facilities; requiring the Comptroller to allocate certain tax funds in a certain manner; requiring the Comptroller to administer and carry out this Act and to adopt certain regulations; allowing a certain deduction from State taxes; providing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to marijuana.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601(c) and 5–620(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–1201 through 5–1232 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Marijuana”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 12.5–101 through 12.5–105 to be under the new title “Title 12.5. Marijuana Tax”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–19(d)(7)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 912 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County Juvenile Court and School Safety Workgroup

PG 314-15

FOR the purpose of reestablishing the Prince George's County Juvenile Court and School Safety Workgroup; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the duties of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings, action plan, and recommendations to the Prince George's County Delegation on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Prince George's County Juvenile Court and School Safety Workgroup.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 913 – Delegate Hixson

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Highway User Revenues – Local Government Reporting – Revisions

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities report certain information relating to the use of highway user revenues to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities to report to the State Highway Administration the costs for certain specific projects funded by highway user revenues; requiring the Administration to compile, summarize, and analyze certain information submitted by Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities relating to the use of highway user revenues in a report to be submitted by the Administration to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; prohibiting the Administration from making a disbursement of highway user revenues to a jurisdiction that has not submitted a certain report to the Administration; and generally relating to reporting on the use of highway user revenues by local governments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8-412
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 914 – Delegate Frush

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Nuisance Organisms – Reward for Information

FOR the purpose of authorizing a judge to award a reward to a person providing information leading to a conviction for a violation of certain nuisance organism laws or regulations; requiring a certain reward to be paid from certain fine proceeds in an amount not to exceed a certain percentage of fines imposed; prohibiting a reward from being awarded to a law enforcement officer or an employee of the Department of Natural Resources; and generally relating to nuisance organism laws and regulations.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–205.1(a)(1) and (8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–205.1(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 915 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Charles County – Warrant Intercept Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Charles County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Charles County; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 916 – Delegates B. Wilson, Adams, Afzali, Arentz, Beitzel, Buckel,
Carozza, Cassilly, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Reilly, and West**

AN ACT concerning

Economic Development – Community Revitalization and Improvement Zones

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of a county to establish, by local law, a certain contracting authority for the purpose of designating a community revitalization and improvement zone; establishing an application process within the Department of Business and Economic Development to designate a zone; requiring the application to contain certain information; requiring, within a certain period of time, the application to be approved by the Department and the county in which the zone is located or disapproved by either; authorizing a certain contracting authority, on approval of an application, to designate a zone and apply to a certain county to issue certain bonds for certain purposes; authorizing the governing body of certain counties to issue certain bonds under certain circumstances; requiring the governing body of certain counties to create a certain special fund; prohibiting a member of a certain contracting authority from receiving money from the special fund; requiring a certain contracting authority to file with the Department a certain list by a certain date each year; requiring certain qualified businesses within a zone to file a certain report with the Department each year; authorizing the Department to impose a certain penalty for failure to file a certain report; requiring the Department, each year, to verify a certain baseline tax amount; requiring the Department to make certain calculations and certify certain amounts to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller, within a certain number of days after receiving a certification, to transfer a certain amount from the General Fund of the State to a certain special

fund of a county to be used for certain purposes; providing, under certain circumstances, for a recapture of the amount transferred; requiring that the money transferred and used for certain purposes be matched by a certain amount of private investment; requiring a certain contracting authority to file a certain report with the Department; authorizing the contracting authority, with the approval of the Department, to transfer a certain portion of a zone out of the zone and certain additional acreage into the zone; requiring a zone to be in existence for a certain period of time; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of community revitalization and improvement zones.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 12–601 through 12–612 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Community Revitalization and Improvement Zones”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 917 – Delegates Kramer, Anderton, Barkley, Beidle, Beitzel, Bromwell, Carey, Cassilly, Cullison, Fisher, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Glass, Glenn, Grammer, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Lafferty, Mautz, McConkey, O’Donnell, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Reilly, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Szeliga, Valderrama, Vitale, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Checkpoints – Prohibition on Targeting Motorcycles

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a police officer at a motor vehicle checkpoint from targeting only motorcycles for inspection or evaluation; creating a certain exception to the prohibition for a police officer at a motor vehicle checkpoint established as part of a police search or investigation; providing for the construction of a certain provision of law governing obedience to a lawful order or direction of a police officer; defining a certain term; and generally relating to inspections or evaluations at motor vehicle checkpoints.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 21–103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 25–114

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 918 – Delegates Kramer, Anderton, Beidle, Bromwell, Carey, Cassilly, Fisher, Fraser-Hidalgo, Glass, Grammer, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Lafferty, Mautz, O'Donnell, Oaks, Patterson, Pena-Melnyk, Reilly, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Szeliga, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Motorcycle Profiling – Training

FOR the purpose of requiring the Police Training Commission to require a certain statement condemning motorcycle profiling to be included in certain written policies; requiring the Commission to include in certain curriculum and courses of study training on motorcycle profiling; defining a certain term; and generally relating to requiring certain training on motorcycle profiling.

BY renumbering

Article – Public Safety
Section 3–201(e) and (f), respectively
to be Section 3–201(f) and (g), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 3–201(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety
Section 3–201(e) and 3–207(18)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 3–207(17) and (18)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 919 – Delegates Lafferty, Afzali, Anderton, Barkley, Beidle, Beitzel, Carr, Cassilly, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gilchrist, Healey, Holmes, Jacobs, Krebs, Krimm, Lam, Lisanti, Mautz, McIntosh, McMillan, Otto, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, S. Robinson, Shoemaker, Valentino–Smith, Vogt, A. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Land Use – Plans – Development and Adoption

FOR the purpose of authorizing the legislative body of a local jurisdiction to adopt, modify, or disapprove a certain plan or part of a plan, a plan for one or more geographic sections or divisions of the local jurisdiction, or an amendment or extension of or addition to the plan; requiring the legislative body to hold a public hearing before taking certain actions; requiring a certain planning commission to hold a public hearing before submitting a new recommended plan under certain circumstances; providing that a certain recommendation of a planning commission shall be considered approved if the legislative body of a certain local jurisdiction fails to take action on the recommendation within a certain time period; authorizing the legislative body of a local jurisdiction, by resolution, to extend a certain deadline for a certain period of time if the legislative body makes a certain determination; and generally relating to the development and adoption of certain land use plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Land Use

Section 3–204 and 3–205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 920 – Delegates Lisanti, Cassilly, Fennell, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jameson, Kelly, Sophocleus, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

**State Highway Administration – Relocation of Water and Sewer Lines –
Payment of Costs**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to pay to a publicly owned utility the cost of relocating water and sewer lines due to certain highway projects financed in whole or in part by federal funds; requiring payments made by the Administration under this Act to be considered part of the cost of certain highway projects and to be included in the Consolidated Transportation Program; defining certain terms; and generally relating to payment of the cost of relocating water and sewer lines of a publicly owned utility due to certain highway projects.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 8–656

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 921 – Delegate Parrott

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

House Legislative Districts – Single Member

FOR the purpose of amending a certain provision of the Maryland Constitution for the purpose of altering the number of delegates in each House legislative district; making conforming changes; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution

Article III – Legislative Department

Section 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 922 – Delegates Waldstreicher, Barve, Carr, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Luedtke, Morales, Reznik, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Anne L. Bronfman Center and Mislser Adult Day Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$95,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Council for the Aging of Greater Washington, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 923 – Delegates Hixson, Barkley, Barve, Carr, Cullison, Dumais, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frick, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Waldstreicher, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms

FOR the purpose of establishing the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms; providing for the purpose of the Program and requiring the Interagency Committee on Public School Construction to implement and administer the Program; specifying certain requirements for grants awarded under the Program; requiring the Interagency Committee to award certain grants to certain county boards of education under the Program; requiring the Interagency Committee to develop certain eligibility requirements and certain procedures and processes for grants awarded under the Program; requiring the Interagency Committee to adopt certain procedures; requiring the Governor, beginning in a certain fiscal year, to provide a certain amount of money in the State budget for the Program each fiscal year; specifying that funding provided under the Program is supplemental to public school construction funding from other sources; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 5–313

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 924 – Delegate Kelly

AN ACT concerning

Requirements for Filial Support – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the prohibition on the neglect or refusal, by an adult child who has or is able to earn sufficient means, to provide a destitute parent with food, shelter, care, and clothing; repealing the authority of an individual to make a certain complaint relating to the neglect or refusal of a certain adult child to provide a destitute parent with necessary food, shelter, care, and clothing; repealing the authority of the State’s Attorney to file a certain information relating to certain nonsupport of a destitute parent; repealing a requirement that a court order a certain

individual to pay support to the individual's destitute parent under certain circumstances; repealing a requirement that a certain individual pay certain support until a certain occurrence; repealing the authority of a court to order payment of certain forfeited recognizance to a destitute parent or certain agency under certain circumstances; repealing the authority of a court to release a certain individual and a certain surety from the terms of a certain order, bond, or recognizance under certain circumstances; altering the definition of "responsible relative", as it relates to responsibility for the cost of certain services provided in a facility or program operated or funded by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to exclude from the definition the children of a recipient of certain services; repealing a certain definition; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the repeal of laws requiring filial support and financial responsibility.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 13–101 through 13–103 and 13–106 through 13–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 16–101(a) and (c) and 16–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 16–101(f) and 16–203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 925 – Delegates Barve, Gilchrist, and Platt

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 – Montgomery County –
Water Park at Bohrer Park**

FOR the purpose of amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 to provide that certain grants for the Water Park at Bohrer Park may not terminate before June 1, 2016; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 1(3) Item ZA02(BG) and Item ZA03(AT)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 926 – Delegates Sydnor, Brooks, Carter, Hayes, Haynes, Hettleman, Jalisi, McCray, Morales, B. Robinson, A. Washington, M. Washington, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City and Baltimore County – Police Mental Health Units – Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of requiring, on or before a certain date, the Baltimore City and Baltimore County police departments to establish mental health units; requiring a mental health unit to consist of at least a certain number of officers who are specially trained to understand the needs of mentally ill individuals and in cultural sensitivity and cultural competency; requiring the training to be developed in consultation with the Behavioral Health Administration in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing the purpose and goals of a mental health unit; requiring the Baltimore City and Baltimore County police departments to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to police mental health units.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–510
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 927 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Homestead Property Tax Credit Percentage
PG 422–15**

FOR the purpose of setting the homestead property tax credit percentage for Prince George’s County at a certain percentage; and generally relating to the homestead property tax credit in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–105(e)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 928 – Delegate Walker

AN ACT concerning

**Sales and Use Tax – Agricultural Products and Equipment – Repeal of
Exemption**

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain exemption from the sales and use tax for certain agricultural products and equipment; and generally relating to the application of the sales and use tax to agricultural products and equipment.

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General
Section 11–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 929 – Prince George’s County Delegation

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Foreclosure Relief Act of 2015
PG 423–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the court to send the mortgagor or grantor a certain checklist when a certain foreclosure action is filed in Prince George’s County; prohibiting a lender from maintaining an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential real property in Prince George’s County for a certain period of time; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to study certain matters and report its findings to the General Assembly on or before a specified date; providing for the application of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to foreclosure actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Real Property

Section 7–105.1(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 7–105.1(e–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 930 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Board of License Commissioners – Membership PG 315–15

FOR the purpose of expanding the membership of the Board of License Commissioners of Prince George’s County; requiring the Governor to appoint a certain number of commissioners from certain political parties; requiring the Governor to appoint at least a certain number of commissioners from each legislative district in the county; requiring certain central committees to designate each commissioner serving on a certain date as an eligible candidate, with a certain exception; providing for staggered terms of office; requiring that not more than a certain number of appointees belong to the same political party; authorizing certain central committees to submit lists of eligible candidates for commissioner to the Governor on or after a certain date; providing for the effective dates of this Act; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the Board of License Commissioners of Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–101(r)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 931 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Prince George’s County – Seven Day Sales PG 318–15

FOR the purpose of establishing a special Sunday off-sale permit in Prince George's County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the permit to certain license holders; authorizing the permit holder to sell certain alcoholic beverages during a certain time on Sunday for consumption off the licensed premises; establishing a certain fee for the permit; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to adopt certain regulations; making conforming changes; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11-517(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11-517(b) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11-517(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 932 – Prince George's County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County – City of College Park – Class D Beer and Wine License PG 317-15

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain Class D (on-sale) beer and wine license issued for certain premises in the City of College Park to be converted, on or after a certain date, into a certain Class D (on- and off-sale) beer and wine license for certain other premises in the City of College Park; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George's County.

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9-217(l)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 933 – Delegates Parrott, Buckel, Kittleman, Metzgar, and Otto

AN ACT concerning

Energy Efficiency and Demand Management Programs and Services – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions requiring the Public Service Commission to make certain yearly calculations, require gas companies and electric companies to establish certain programs and services, adopt certain rate-making policies, and ensure that the adoption of electric customer choice does not adversely impact the continuation of certain programs; repealing provisions that require each gas company and electric company to develop and implement programs and services to encourage and promote the efficient use and conservation of energy by certain persons; repealing provisions that require certain municipal electric utilities and electric cooperatives to include certain energy efficiency and conservation programs or services as part of their services to customers; repealing provisions that require the Commission to adopt certain regulations or issue certain orders related to cost-effective energy efficiency and conservation programs by a certain date; repealing certain provisions relating to an electric company's plan to achieve certain electricity savings and demand reduction targets; repealing provisions relating to the Commission's review and monitoring of certain programs and services offered by electric companies; repealing a provision regarding the obligation of an electric company to notify the Commission within a certain time period of a certain contract or obligation with an affiliate of the electric company to provide certain services in connection with certain programs or services; repealing a provision requiring each electric company and gas company to give certain notice to customers each year; repealing certain reporting requirements of the Commission; repealing a provision prohibiting the Commission from requiring or allowing an electric company to require an electric customer to authorize the electric company to control the amount of the customer's electricity usage; repealing a provision requiring the Commission to establish a pilot program for electric customers to recharge electric vehicles during certain hours; correcting a certain statutory cross-reference; providing that existing obligations or contract rights may not be impaired by this Act; and generally relating to energy efficiency and demand management programs and services.

BY repealing

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7-211

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9-20B-05(f)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 934 – Delegate K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Educational Institutions – Personal Electronic Account – Privacy Protection

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an educational institution from requiring, requesting, suggesting, or causing a student, an applicant, or a prospective student to grant access to, allow observation of, or disclose information that allows access to or observation of the individual's personal electronic account; prohibiting an educational institution from compelling a student, an applicant, or a prospective student, as a condition of acceptance or participation in curricular or extracurricular activities, to add certain individuals to a certain list of contacts or to change certain privacy settings; prohibiting an educational institution from taking or threatening to take certain actions against a student, or failing or refusing to admit an applicant, as a result of the student's or applicant's refusal to grant access to, allow observation of, or disclose certain information relating to a personal electronic account, add certain individuals to a certain list of contacts, or change certain privacy settings; providing that this Act may not be construed to prohibit an educational institution from requesting or requiring a student to disclose access information to certain electronic accounts, to prohibit or restrict an educational institution from viewing, accessing, or utilizing certain information that is available in the public domain or available to an educational institution as the result of certain actions of the student, to create a duty to search or monitor the activity of a personal electronic account, to make an educational institution liable for failing to request or require a student, an applicant, or a prospective student to grant access to, allow observation of, or disclose certain information relating to a personal electronic account, to prohibit a student, an applicant, or a prospective student from allowing a certain individual to view certain communications, or to apply to a certain investigation conducted by a certain department of or in accordance with a certain policy or protocol of an institution of postsecondary education; authorizing an individual who is the subject of a violation of this Act to take certain legal action; establishing that an educational institution's action in compliance with federal or State law is an affirmative defense to a claim under this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the personal electronic accounts of students, applicants, and prospective students of educational institutions.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 26–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Personal Electronic Account
Privacy Protection”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 935 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Tax Sales – Foreclosure for Abandoned Property
PG 410–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Prince George’s County to file a complaint to foreclose all rights of redemption in certain abandoned property at any time after the date of sale; and generally relating to foreclosing the right of redemption in abandoned property in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–824 and 14–833(a) and (a–1)(1) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–833(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 936 – Delegate Jones

AN ACT concerning

**Public–Private Partnership Agreements – Construction Contracts –
Performance Security Requirements**

FOR the purpose of requiring a public–private partnership agreement for a construction contract to include certain requirements for performance security in accordance with certain provisions of law, including a requirement to establish performance security on the value of certain construction elements; and generally relating to public–private partnership agreements for construction contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 10A–401
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation and the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 937 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Financial Literacy Curriculum – Graduation
Requirements
PG 421–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a certain course in financial literacy as a part of the county board’s high school curriculum; requiring certain curriculum content to include certain instruction; requiring the county board to implement certain curriculum content in high schools in Prince George’s County beginning in a certain school year; requiring certain students to complete a certain course in order to graduate from high school in Prince George’s County beginning in a certain school year; repealing certain language that requires the county board of education to develop curriculum content for a certain course in financial literacy to be offered to all students in a certain grade; and generally relating to the implementation of a course in financial literacy that is required for graduation from a public high school in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 3–1009

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 938 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County
Delegation**

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Maryland–Washington Regional District – Fairness in
Zoning
MC/PG 112–15**

FOR the purpose of providing that, in Prince George’s County, the planning board’s authority is not exclusive and may be subject to review by the district council under certain circumstances; providing that the district council is not authorized to review certain matters beyond its jurisdiction as provided in a certain article; authorizing

the district council in Prince George's County by local law to adopt and amend zoning law procedures for zoning decisions by the planning board and the district council; providing that within the regional district in Prince George's County, certain zoning powers granted to a planning commission or board of appeals under certain provisions shall be construed as vested exclusively in and may be exercised only by the district council; requiring that, in Prince George's County, the zoning hearing examiner shall issue a certain decision not less than a certain time after the date of a certain hearing; providing that, in Prince George's County, a person may file a request for judicial review of a decision of a board of appeals to the circuit court only under certain circumstances; providing that, in Prince George's County, when the district council is hearing a zoning matter that has been appealed from a zoning hearing examiner, the district council may remand the zoning matter back to the zoning hearing examiner only one time and is required to specify that the zoning hearing examiner take action within a certain time frame after the matter is remanded; and generally relating to zoning and planning powers in the Maryland–Washington Regional District in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 20–202, 22–104, 22–120, and 22–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Land Use
Section 25–212 and 25–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 939 – The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Delegates Beitzel, Davis, and Jones

AN ACT concerning

Proposed Regulations – Determination of Impact on Small Businesses

FOR the purpose of establishing the Advisory Council on the Impact of Regulations on Small Businesses in the Department of Business and Economic Development; providing for the purpose, composition, chair, staffing, and meetings of the Advisory Council; prohibiting a member of the Advisory Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Advisory Council to take certain actions and make certain determinations about proposed regulations; requiring the Advisory Council to submit a certain statement of its findings to the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review and the Department of Legislative Services within a certain period of time

under certain circumstances; establishing certain duties of the staff of the Advisory Council; authorizing the Advisory Council to adopt certain guidelines; requiring the Advisory Council to submit a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring promulgating units to submit to the Advisory Council during a certain preliminary review period each proposed regulation and the estimated impact of the regulation on small businesses; requiring promulgating units to take certain actions if the promulgating unit estimates that a proposed regulation will have a certain significant small business impact; requiring the AELR Committee and the Department of Legislative Services to review certain findings; authorizing a member of the AELR Committee to request a hearing under certain circumstances; requiring the AELR Committee to hold a hearing under certain circumstances; authorizing the AELR Committee to request that a promulgating unit delay the adoption of a proposed regulation under certain circumstances; encouraging promulgating units to take certain actions during a certain period of time; defining certain terms; making certain conforming and stylistic changes; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Advisory Council; and generally relating to the determination of the impact of proposed regulations on small businesses.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 3–501 through 3–508 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Advisory Council on the Impact of Regulations on Small Businesses”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 10–101 and 10–110

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 940 – The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Delegates Beitzel, Davis, and Jones

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Business Ombudsman – State Customer Service and Business Development Efforts Training Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the State Customer Service and Business Development Efforts Training Program; requiring the Office of the Business Ombudsman to administer and oversee the program; specifying the purpose of the program; requiring certain agencies to participate in the program; requiring the Office to

develop certain customer service standards; requiring agencies participating in the program to create a certain customer service plan, develop and conduct certain customer service trainings, establish a certain employee recognition program, and report certain information each year; requiring the Office to evaluate and make certain recommendations regarding the program; requiring the Office to include certain information in a certain annual report; and generally relating to the State Customer Service and Business Development Efforts Training Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 14–203 and 14–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development
Section 14–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 941 – The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Delegates Beitzel, Davis, and Jones

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Exemptions from Higher Education Ethics Requirements and Procurement Rules to Facilitate Technology Transfer

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Exemptions from Higher Education Ethics Requirements and Procurement Rules to Facilitate Technology Transfer; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to review, study, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Exemptions from Higher Education Ethics Requirements and Procurement Rules to Facilitate Technology Transfer.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 942 – The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Delegates Beitzel, Davis, and Jones

AN ACT concerning

Apprenticeship Pilot Program – Apprenticeship Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing an apprenticeship pilot program called Apprenticeship Maryland and identifying the purpose of the Program; providing for the duration of the Program; requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, to develop certain criteria for the selection of certain school systems for participation in the Program; requiring the State Department of Education to collaborate with certain entities to develop criteria for eligible employers; requiring the State Department of Education to select certain local school systems to participate in the Program; authorizing certain county superintendents to select a certain number of students to participate in the Program; specifying when an eligible student may start the Program; requiring a student selected to participate in the Program to complete certain work–based training, receive certain classroom instruction, and complete the Program before a certain date; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to issue a certain certificate; requiring each eligible employer to pay an eligible student a certain wage; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and the State Department of Education to submit jointly a certain report including certain information on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Apprenticeship Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–405(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 943 – The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Delegates Beitzel, Davis, and Jones

AN ACT concerning

Economic Competitiveness and Commerce – Restructuring

FOR the purpose of renaming the Department of Business and Economic Development to be the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce; renaming the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to be the Secretary of Commerce; establishing an Office of the Secretary of Commerce in the Office of the Governor; specifying that the Secretary is the head of economic development policy and implementation efforts in the State, a certain unit, and oversees certain units and certain corporations; requiring the Governor to appoint the Secretary; specifying the authority and duties of the Secretary; requiring the Secretary to appoint an Executive Director; specifying the qualifications and duties of the Executive Director; specifying the duties of the Department; providing that the Maryland Economic Development Commission oversees the operations of the Department and its units; expanding the members of the Commission; expanding the duties of the Commission; transferring the Maryland Life Sciences Advisory Board from the Department of Business and Economic Development to the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; altering the membership of the Life Sciences Advisory Board; requiring the Life Sciences Advisory Board to assist the Maryland Technology Development Corporation in certain matters; transferring the Invest Maryland Program and the Maryland Venture Fund Authority from the Department of Business and Economic Development to the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; requiring the Authority to provide advice to and consult with the Maryland Technology Development Corporation concerning certain matters; requiring the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to allocate certain designated capital and perform other duties for the Program; altering the purpose of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; increasing the membership of the Board of Directors of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; establishing the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation and the Board of Directors of the Corporation; providing that the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation is a body politic and corporate and is an instrumentality of the State; specifying the purposes of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; specifying the duties, membership, qualifications, terms, appointments, and removal of the members of the Board of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; specifying the manner in electing the chair of the Board of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; requiring the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation to employ an Executive Director; specifying the duties of the Executive Director; providing that the Attorney General is the legal advisor to the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; authorizing the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation to employ certain staff; specifying the laws from which the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation is exempt and to which the Corporation is subject; specifying the authority of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; requiring the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation to report on certain matters to certain persons on or before a certain date each year; providing that the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce is the successor of the Department of Business and Economic Development and that the Executive Director of the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce is the successor of the Secretary of Business and Economic Development; providing that certain names and titles of a certain unit and

officials in laws and other documents mean the names and titles of the successor unit and officials; providing for the continuity of certain matters and persons; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code, in consultation with, and subject to the approval of, the Department of Legislative Services, to make certain corrections; altering certain definitions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to economic development and competitiveness and the restructuring and renaming of the Department of Business and Economic Development.

BY renumbering

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–117 through 2–123, respectively; and 2–201 through 2–207, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Maryland Economic Development Commission” to be Section 2.5–104 through 2.5–110, respectively; and 2.5–201 through 2.5–207, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Maryland Economic Development Commission”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 1–101(a) and 2–104 through 2–107, 2–109 through 2–111, 2–113, 2–115, 2–116, 3–205, 6–505 through 6–507, 6–520, 6–523, 9–101(a), 10–401, and 10–404 through 10–415

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 1–101(c) and (f) to be under the amended division “Division I. Secretary of Commerce and Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce”; 2–102, 2–103, 2–108, 2–112, and 2–114 to be under the amended title “Title 2. Secretary of Commerce” and the amended subtitle “Subtitle 1. Office of the Secretary”; 3–201 through 3–204, 6–501, 6–504, 6–508, 6–511 through 6–514, 6–517 through 6–519, 6–521, 6–522, 6–526 through 6–529, 9–101(c) and (e), 10–402, and 10–403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–101; and 10–901 through 10–911 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9.
Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development
Section 2.5–101, 2.5–102, and 2.5–103 to be under the new title “Title 2.5.
Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 2.5–105, 2.5–107, 2.5–108, 2.5–109, 2.5–201, 2.5–205, and 2.5–207
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 2.5–104, 2.5–106, 2.5–110, 2.5–202, 2.5–203, 2.5–204, and 2.5–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 8–201(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 8–201(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 944 – Delegates Pena–Melnik, Barron, Cullison, Hayes, Impallaria,
Kelly, Kipke, Krebs, McDonough, McMillan, Miele, Morgan, Oaks, Reznik,
Saab, Sample–Hughes, and West**

AN ACT concerning

**Patient Referrals – Oncologists – Radiation Therapy Services and
Nondiagnostic Computer Tomography Scan Services**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “in-office ancillary services” to include certain oncology group practices or offices of oncologists that provide certain radiation therapy services or computer tomography services for a certain purpose; providing that certain prohibitions on referrals do not apply to a referral by certain oncologists for certain radiation therapy services or computer tomography services; requiring certain oncology group practices or offices of oncologists that are exempt from a certain provision of law to provide treatment to certain patients; requiring certain for profit oncology group practices or for profit offices of oncologists that are exempt from a certain provision of law to report certain information to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and generally relating to patient referrals for radiation therapy services and nondiagnostic computer tomography scan services by oncologists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–302(a) and (d)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–302(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 945 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Cullison, Kelly, and Kipke

AN ACT concerning

**Registered Nurses – Local Health Departments – Requirements for Personally
Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain registered nurses who personally prepare and dispense certain drugs and devices in local health departments in accordance with certain provisions of law or to certain patients to comply with a certain formulary and certain requirements; establishing the Committee on Personally Preparing and

Dispensing Drugs and Devices by Registered Nurses in Local Health Departments; providing for the composition, terms, chair, and staffing of the Committee; prohibiting a member of the Committee from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Committee to develop and approve a certain formulary and provide a certain review; requiring certain local health departments to be subject to inspection by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department to establish and administer a certain training program for certain registered nurses; requiring that a certain training program be jointly developed and reviewed on a certain basis by the Department, the State Board of Nursing, and the State Board of Pharmacy; authorizing a registered nurse to dispense naloxone to certain certificate holders if the registered nurse complies with a certain formulary and certain provisions of law; authorizing a registered nurse to dispense or otherwise provide certain antibiotic therapy in a certain public health clinic if the registered nurse complies with a certain formulary and certain provisions of law; authorizing a registered nurse to personally prepare and dispense certain drugs and devices in accordance with certain provisions of law or to certain patients if the registered nurse complies with certain requirements; establishing certain requirements that certain registered nurses must comply with to personally prepare and dispense certain drugs and devices; defining certain terms; and generally relating to registered nurses and requirements for personally preparing and dispensing drugs and devices in local health departments.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 3–401 through 3–405 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Registered Nurses Personally Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices in Local Health Departments”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 13–3108 and 18–214.1(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 8–512

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 946 – Delegate Hornberger

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Noncompete and Conflict of Interest Clauses

FOR the purpose of providing that certain noncompete and conflict of interest provisions are null and void as being against the public policy of the State; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to noncompete and conflict of interest clauses in employment.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–714

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 947 – Delegates Pena–Melnik, Angel, Atterbeary, B. Barnes, Beidle, Campos, Carozza, Carr, Chang, Cullison, Davis, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Healey, Hill, Hixson, C. Howard, S. Howard, Jalisi, Kaiser, Kelly, Lam, McComas, McDonough, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, O’Donnell, Oaks, Pendergrass, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Saab, Sample–Hughes, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Smith, Sophocleus, Tarlau, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, West, B. Wilson, C. Wilson, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

**Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board – School Counselors –
Certification Renewal Requirement
(Lauryn’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board to require, beginning on a certain date, certain applicants for renewal of certification as a school counselor to have successfully completed a certain number of credit hours of continuing professional development in a certain course regarding the recognition of, initial screening for, and response to emotional and behavioral distress in students and other individuals; requiring a certain course to include certain information; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to a certification renewal requirement for school counselors by the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 6–704.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 948 – Delegates Aumann and West

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore County – Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Companies –
Funding Allocation**

FOR the purpose of requiring that in Baltimore County, a certain allocation of money from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund shall be determined by a certain vote of certain individuals; and generally relating to the allocation in Baltimore County of money from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund for volunteer fire, rescue, and ambulance companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 8–103(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 949 – Delegates Kelly, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Barron, Brooks, Campos, Carr, Cullison, Davis, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Hettleman, Hill, Hixson, Holmes, Jones, Korman, Kramer, Lam, Lierman, Lisanti, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

**Task Force to Study the Provision of Health Care Coverage to Uninsured
Marylanders**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Provision of Health Care Coverage to Uninsured Marylanders; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the purpose of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make findings and recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to submit certain reports of its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the

termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Provision of Health Care Coverage to Uninsured Marylanders.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 950 – Delegates Shoemaker, Cassilly, Chang, Hornberger, Metzgar, and Vogt

AN ACT concerning

Cybersecurity Investment Incentive Tax Credit – Eligible Investments

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of investment for purposes of the cybersecurity investment incentive tax credit to include convertible debt; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the cybersecurity investment incentive tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–733(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–733(a)(6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 951 – Delegates Glenn, Adams, Aumann, Brooks, Carey, Frick, Impallaria, Mautz, McCray, W. Miller, Vaughn, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Collection Agency Licensing Act – Exemptions – Landlords

FOR the purpose of exempting from the Maryland Collection Agency Licensing Act a landlord, or a person acting on behalf of a landlord, in collection of a rent or allied charges for property and a person acting under the provisions of a certain contract and on behalf of certain entities in the collection of certain assessments, fees, or any charges imposed by the entities; and generally relating to the Maryland Collection Agency Licensing Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation

Section 7–102(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 952 – Delegates Lam, Carr, Cullison, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gutierrez, Healey, Hill, Hixson, Holmes, Kelly, Lafferty, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Smith, Stein, Tarlau, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Hydraulic Fracturing Chemicals – Information and Fund

FOR the purpose of requiring an applicant for a certain permit for the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of natural gas to submit certain information to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in a certain manner; requiring the Department to provide access to certain information to the Maryland Poison Control Center and certain health care providers; authorizing a certain health care provider to provide certain information in a certain manner; requiring a certain health care provider, health professional, or government agency to maintain information and medical records in a certain manner; requiring the Department to establish a certain educational program for certain purposes; establishing the Hydraulic Fracturing Chemical Education and Impact Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Department to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; requiring the Department to establish a certain fee by regulation; establishing a certain civil penalty for certain violations; requiring the civil penalty to be deposited in the Fund; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law that requires interest on State money in special funds to accrue to the General Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 22–701 through 22–707 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Hydraulic Fracturing Chemicals”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 953 – Delegates Hixson, Afzali, Carr, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Gutierrez, C. Howard, Kaiser, Luedtke, Moon, Platt, S. Robinson, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – First–Time Homebuyer Savings Accounts

FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for a certain amount contributed to a certain first–time homebuyer savings account and certain earnings on the account; providing that the account holder may claim the subtraction modification under certain circumstances; providing that certain transfers of money to or from the account are subject to certain requirements and limitations; providing that a certain person who transfers money to the account is not entitled to the subtraction modification; authorizing the account holder to withdraw and deposit certain money in certain accounts under certain circumstances; requiring the account holder to use the funds in the account for certain eligible costs within a certain time period; providing that certain funds remaining in the account on a certain date shall be subject to taxation as ordinary income; providing that a certain financial institution may not be held responsible for certain actions; authorizing a certain financial institution to use certain funds for a certain purpose; providing that, except under certain circumstances, certain funds withdrawn from the account for certain purposes shall be taxed as ordinary income and subject to a certain penalty; requiring a certain account holder claiming the subtraction modification to submit certain documentation under certain circumstances; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a Maryland income tax subtraction modification for certain amounts paid into and earned on certain first–time homebuyer savings accounts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 954 – Delegates A. Washington, Morales, Anderson, D. Barnes, Carter, Conaway, Patterson, Smith, and Sydnor

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer – Reports

FOR the purpose of requiring local law enforcement agencies to provide the Department of State Police with certain information on officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty; requiring the Department to report annually certain information on officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty to the General Assembly; requiring the Department to adopt certain procedures for reporting certain deaths; requiring the Department to report certain information on officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty to the General Assembly by a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the reporting of officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 2–315
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 955 – Delegates Valentino-Smith, Angel, D. Barnes, Campos, Davis, Dumais, Fennell, Frush, Healey, Hixson, Holmes, Jackson, Jalisi, Moon, Smith, Valderrama, Vaughn, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Child Protection – Reporting Requirements – Threat of Harm

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain individual acting in a professional capacity to notify the local department of social services or the appropriate law enforcement agency if the individual has reason to believe that a verbal threat of a substantial risk of imminent harm to a child has been made; prohibiting a person from preventing or interfering with the making of a report under this Act; providing certain immunity to a person who participates in certain activities relating to a report made under this Act; making conforming changes; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect and requiring the reporting of threats of harm to a child.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–704, 5–705.2(a), and 5–708
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 956 – Delegates Carr, Anderson, Frush, Gutierrez, Healey, Kramer, Lam, S. Robinson, Smith, Waldstreicher, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Leaving Dogs Outside and Unattended – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of altering the provisions of a prohibition from leaving a dog outside and unattended; defining certain terms; and generally relating to dogs left unattended outdoors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–623
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 957 – Delegates Folden and Cluster

AN ACT concerning

**Workers' Compensation – Occupational Disease Presumption – Duty Belt Worn
by Law Enforcement**

FOR the purpose of providing that certain paid police officers and certain paid deputy sheriffs are presumed to be suffering from an occupational disease for a lower-back impairment under the workers' compensation law under certain circumstances; providing that the presumption shall apply only if the police officers

and deputy sheriffs subject to this Act have been employed for a certain period of time and were required, as a condition of employment, to wear a certain duty belt; requiring that the presumption extends to the police officers and deputy sheriffs subject to this Act for a certain period of time following a certain termination of service; and generally relating to an occupational disease presumption under the workers' compensation law for a lower-back impairment suffered by certain paid police officers and paid deputy sheriffs required to wear a duty belt.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–503(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–503(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 958 – Delegates Mautz, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Folden, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, McKay, Metzgar, Morgan, O'Donnell, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Sophocleus, Szeliga, Vitale, Vogt, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Tax-Free Periods – Hunting and Sporting Goods

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain sales and use tax exemption period for certain hunting and sporting goods under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a certain sales and use tax exemption for certain hunting and sporting goods.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 11–232
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 959 – Delegate McMillan

AN ACT concerning

Real Property Tax – Phased In Value – Definition

FOR the purpose of clarifying for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning certain assessments of real property the definition of “phased in value”; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to property taxes and assessments of real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 8–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 960 – Delegates Fisher, S. Howard, Adams, Arentz, Carey, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Folden, Ghrist, Hornberger, Krebs, Mautz, McKay, Metzgar, Rey, Saab, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, Vitale, and Vogt

AN ACT concerning

Retire in Maryland Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of including income from certain retirement plans and certain unearned income sources within a certain subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals who are at least a certain age or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; repealing a limitation on the maximum amount of a subtraction modification allowed under the State income tax for certain retirement income of certain individuals; providing that income included in certain subtraction modifications may not be taken into account for purposes of a certain subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals who are at least a certain age or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; altering a certain definition; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for retirement income and income from certain unearned income sources.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 961 – Delegates Ciliberti, Adams, Afzali, Carozza, Cassilly, Folden, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, Hornberger, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kipke, Krebs, McComas, McDonough, McKay, Metzgar, W. Miller, Morgan, O'Donnell, Parrott, Reilly, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, Vogt, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Women's Late-Term Pregnancy Health Act

FOR the purpose of providing that, except in the case of a medical emergency, an abortion may not be performed or induced or be attempted to be performed or induced unless a certain physician makes a certain determination; providing that, except in the case of a medical emergency, an individual may not knowingly perform or induce or attempt to perform or induce an abortion if the probable gestational age of an unborn child is a certain number of weeks; requiring certain physicians to submit a certain report to a certain medical facility; requiring certain medical facilities to submit a certain report to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring certain physicians to submit a certain report to the Department under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties for a physician who fails to file a certain report; establishing certain penalties for an individual who intentionally or knowingly performs or induces an abortion in violation of this Act, with a certain result; authorizing certain individuals to bring a certain civil action under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain individuals from bringing a civil action under certain circumstances; providing that the relief provided in a certain civil action shall include certain damages; providing that certain medical facilities are subject to revocation of a certain license and revocation of State funding for a certain time period; providing that certain women may not be subject to certain prosecution; authorizing certain physicians to seek a certain hearing to make a certain determination; providing that certain findings are admissible at certain trials; providing for the construction of various provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; establishing a certain short title; and generally relating to the Women's Late-Term Pregnancy Health Act.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–217 through 20–225 to be under the new part “Part V. Women's Late-Term Pregnancy Health Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 962 – Delegate McMillan

AN ACT concerning

**Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area – Lot Coverage – Exclusion
for Driveways Constructed of Decking Material**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “lot coverage” for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area to exclude driveways constructed of certain decking material from certain requirements; and generally relating to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1802(a)(17)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1808.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 963 – Delegate McMillan

AN ACT concerning

**Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area – Lot Coverage –
Calculation for Swimming Pools**

FOR the purpose of requiring, under the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Program, the lot coverage for certain swimming pools be calculated in a certain manner; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1802(a)(17)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1808.3(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 964 – Delegate Walker

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Snack Food – Application

FOR the purpose of specifying that a certain exemption from the sales and use tax does not apply to certain snack food; repealing a certain exemption from the sales and use tax for certain snack food; providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to the sale of a certain product through vending machines; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the application of the sales and use tax to snack food.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 965 – Delegates Haynes, Chang, Ebersole, Frush, Hettleman, Hill, Krimm, Lam, Lierman, McIntosh, A. Miller, Morhaim, Tarlau, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

The Hunger-Free Schools Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition for a certain fiscal year to determine the number of students used to calculate a certain grant for schools that participate in a certain federal program; and generally relating to the compensatory education grant for primary and secondary education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–207(a)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 966 – Delegates Haynes, Morales, Angel, Barkley, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Brooks, Campos, Carey, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frick, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Healey, Hill, Hixson, C. Howard, Jalisi, Jones, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McCray, Moon, Patterson, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson,

S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Sophocleus, Tarlau, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Education – Community Colleges – Collective Bargaining

FOR the purpose of establishing collective bargaining rights for certain community college employees; requiring certain community colleges to determine whether certain employees are public employees for purposes of collective bargaining, subject to certain rights of appeal; establishing procedures for the election or recognition of an exclusive bargaining representative; providing procedures by which the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board may designate a bargaining unit; establishing the maximum number of bargaining units within each community college; providing for the composition of certain bargaining units; requiring certain collective bargaining agreements to include certain provisions; providing for a certain exemption from paying dues and fees under certain circumstances; establishing the matters subject to collective bargaining negotiations; providing for certain rights and responsibilities in connection with the collective bargaining process; authorizing certain parties to engage in mediation and fact-finding under certain circumstances and providing for fact-finding procedures; providing for the settlement of certain grievances; prohibiting certain public employees and exclusive bargaining representatives from engaging in a strike and providing sanctions for engaging in a strike; requiring the parties to collective bargaining negotiations to make certain efforts to conclude negotiations by a certain time; authorizing a collective bargaining agreement to include a provision for the arbitration of certain grievances; requiring that the terms of a collective bargaining agreement supersede certain regulations and policies; providing that a collective bargaining agreement may be reopened under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions of law relating to collective bargaining rights that apply to individual community colleges; altering the scope of duty of the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board to include administering and enforcing provisions of this Act; providing for the disclosure of certain employee information; providing that certain community colleges may continue to operate under certain agreements and contracts under certain circumstances for a certain period of time; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to collective bargaining rights for community college employees.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 16–403, 16–412, and 16–414.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 16–701 through 16–710 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Collective Bargaining”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 3–2A–01
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 3–2A–05, 3–2A–07, and 3–2A–08(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 967 – Delegate Stein

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County Board of Education – Procurement for Construction–Related Projects for Schools

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law concerning the advertising for bids for certain procurements costing more than a certain amount apply to construction–related projects for schools in Baltimore County; making provisions of law concerning the award of certain procurement contracts apply to construction–related projects for schools in Baltimore County; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to procurement for construction–related projects for schools in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–112(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 5–112.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 968 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Carr, Glass, Glenn, Gutierrez, Oaks, B. Robinson, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights – Alterations

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for making a certain complaint against a law enforcement officer for a reason that may lead to a certain action; altering the individuals who may conduct an investigation, interrogation, or hearing against a certain law enforcement officer under certain circumstances; requiring confidentiality of certain information under certain circumstances; providing for the suspension of a law enforcement officer’s police powers during a certain investigation; altering where a certain interrogation may occur; altering certain procedures for investigating, interrogating, disciplining, and conducting a hearing against a certain law enforcement officer under certain circumstances; establishing certain deadlines for certain procedures; altering certain terms; and generally relating to the Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–101(c) and (d), 3–104, 3–106, 3–107(a), (c), and (d)(1), 3–108, 3–110(a), and 3–112(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 969 – Delegates Hixson, Morales, Anderson, Atterbeary, Carr, Ebersole, Fennell, Glenn, Gutierrez, Healey, Kelly, Korman, Lam, McCray, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnik, Pendergrass, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, Waldstreicher, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Fair Scheduling Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an employer to provide employees with a certain work schedule within a certain time period, notify employees of certain changes, and provide employees with a new work schedule within a certain time period; requiring an employer to conspicuously post at each work site certain work schedules; requiring, except under certain circumstances, an employee’s work schedule to begin on the same day of the week each workweek; prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to work certain hours, except under certain circumstances, or find another employee to cover certain hours; authorizing an employee to make certain requests and provide input regarding the employee’s work schedule; providing for the application and construction of certain provisions of this Act; prohibiting, except

under certain circumstances, an employer from making changes to an employee's work schedule; requiring an employer to pay certain predictability pay under certain circumstances; requiring an employer to pay an employee for certain hours of work at a certain rate for certain shifts; requiring each employer to record certain wages and pay in a certain statement of earnings and specify in the statement certain hours; requiring employers to keep certain records for a certain minimum period of time, maintain the records at a certain location, and make the records available for inspection by certain individuals; providing that each day an employer violates a certain provision of this Act is a separate violation; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to enter a place of employment for certain purposes; providing that certain records and statements are confidential and may be shown only to certain persons; requiring the Commissioner to take certain action under certain circumstances; authorizing the Attorney General to bring a certain action for certain relief in a certain county; prohibiting an employer from taking certain action against an employee under certain circumstances; authorizing an employee to bring a certain action against an employer under certain circumstances; authorizing a court, under certain circumstances, to award an employee certain wages, damages, fees, and other costs; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt regulations necessary to carry out this Act; requiring the Commissioner to enforce this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to conduct a certain investigation under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Fair Scheduling Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – Labor and Employment
 Section 2–106(b) and 3–102(a)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
 Article – Labor and Employment
 Section 3–103(k); and 3–1301 through 3–1311 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
 13. Fair Scheduling Act”
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 970 – Delegates D. Barnes, Angel, B. Barnes, Barron, Buckel, Davis, Fennell, C. Howard, Jackson, Knotts, Metzgar, Patterson, Proctor, Shoemaker, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County – Transfer Tax – Deputy Sheriffs

FOR the purpose of extending a certain tax rate reduction under the Prince George's County transfer tax to the sale of certain property to a Prince George's County deputy sheriff under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the Prince George's County transfer tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Prince George's County
Section 10-187(b)(4)
Article 17 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2011 Edition, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 971 – Delegates Oaks, Bromwell, Cullison, Hayes, McMillan, Morhaim, Pena-Melnyk, Reznik, and Sample-Hughes

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “eligible populations” to allow funds from the Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund to be used for services provided to drug offenders under the supervision of certain courts; altering the information an applicant is required to include in a request for Partnership funding; repealing the requirement that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene consult with a certain task force in evaluating a request for and awarding Partnership funding; authorizing a participating county, under certain circumstances, to use Partnership funding to continue or expand funding for eligible functions; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; defining a certain term; altering a certain definition; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 8-6C-01 and 8-6C-04
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 972 – Delegate Kramer

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Transportation Network Insurance – Requirements and Coverage

FOR the purpose of requiring a transportation network application company to disclose certain information in writing to its transportation network operators; requiring a transportation network application company and any transportation network operator to maintain certain transportation network insurance in accordance with this Act; providing for the application of certain transportation network insurance to certain activities of a transportation network operator during certain periods under certain circumstances; providing that transportation network insurance shall provide certain liability insurance that is primary and is in certain minimum amounts for certain transportation network operators engaging in interstate or intrastate commerce, respectively; authorizing transportation network insurance to provide certain other coverage in certain amounts under certain circumstances; providing for the satisfaction of certain transportation network insurance requirements in certain manners; providing that certain transportation network insurance coverage may not be dependent on certain action under a certain personal automobile insurance policy; requiring a transportation network application company to provide certain coverage in a certain manner under certain circumstances; providing that a certain personal automobile insurance policy may not apply to certain activities of a transportation network operator or a certain vehicle during certain periods under certain circumstances unless the policy expressly provides that coverage or contains a certain amendment or endorsement; requiring a transportation network application company to cooperate with certain insurers in connection with a certain investigation under certain circumstances and provide certain information; requiring a certain transportation network operator to carry certain proof of certain coverage during certain activities; requiring a certain transportation network operator to provide certain coverage information to certain persons under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to insurance and transportation network application companies and operators.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 19–1001 through 19–1008 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Transportation Network Insurance”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 973 – Delegates Lam, Carr, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Glenn, Haynes, Hettleman, Hill, Jalisi, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, Turner, M. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Local AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Programs

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that an AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program may only be established in the Prince George's County Health Department; authorizing the establishment of an AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program by certain entities in any jurisdiction; repealing a requirement that the Program provide for the exchange of used hypodermic needles and syringes on a one-for-one basis; authorizing a community-based organization to establish a certain Program with certain approval; repealing a requirement that the Program include policies and procedures for the screening of applicants to the Program for a certain purpose; repealing a requirement that the County Executive of Prince George's County or the County Executive's designee appoint a certain advisory committee for the Program; requiring a designee of the governing body to appoint a certain advisory committee for the Program; altering the membership and duties of a certain advisory committee; repealing a requirement that the local health officer for Prince George's County appoint a certain director; requiring a local health officer to appoint a certain director; altering the duties of a certain director; repealing a requirement that the health officer for Prince George's County include certain operating procedures in the Program and develop and implement a certain plan; requiring a local health officer to include certain operating procedures in the Program and develop and implement a certain plan; altering a certain immunity from criminal prosecution for Program staff members and participants; defining certain terms; and generally relating to local AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 24–901 through 24–906, and 24–908 to be under the amended subtitle

“Subtitle 9. AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Programs”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 24–907 and 24–909

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 974 – Delegate McComas

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance – Daylight Driving Discount for Seniors

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain insurers to offer certain discounts to certain drivers of at least a certain age based on a certain limitation in driving; authorizing certain

insurers to retract certain discounts under certain circumstances; providing that a certain policyholder may be required to repay an insurer for a retracted discount under certain circumstances; providing that a discount under this Act applies in addition to certain other discounts that may be available; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to motor vehicle liability insurance and discounts.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 27–908

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 975 – Delegates Haynes, Bromwell, Cullison, Glenn, Hill, Lam, Morhaim, Oaks, Reznik, Turner, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Mental Health and Substance Use
Disorder Benefits – Parity**

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law apply to mental health and substance use disorder benefits provided by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program or administered by an administrative services organization; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to use certain standards in determining compliance with a certain provision of law; requiring the Department to use certain criteria in determining medical necessity for substance use disorder services; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and mental health and substance use disorder benefits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 15–103(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 15–103(b)(21) and (22)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15–802

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 976 – Delegates McKay, Parrott, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**Task Force to Study the Impact of Methadone Clinics on Surrounding
Communities and Businesses**

FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force to Study the Impact of Methadone Clinics on Surrounding Communities and Businesses; establishing the membership of the Task Force; requiring the chair of the Task Force to be elected from among its members; providing for staffing of the Task Force; providing that a member of the Task Force may not receive certain compensation, but is entitled to reimbursement for expenses; establishing the duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Impact of Methadone Clinics on Surrounding Communities and Businesses.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 977 – Delegates Anderson, Dumais, Morales, Valentino–Smith, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

**State Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights – Investigatory File and Record of
Proceeding**

FOR the purpose of establishing that a certain investigatory file and record of a proceeding are personnel records for purposes of the Public Information Act; and generally relating to the State Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 10–903
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 978 – Delegates Lam, Hill, Jalisi, and Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

HIV Testing – Informed Consent and Pretest Requirements – Modification

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements health care providers must meet before obtaining certain samples for the purpose of HIV testing; requiring a health care provider to make available certain materials and certain language assistance to certain individuals; prohibiting a certain refusal to undergo a certain HIV test from being used as the sole basis by an institution or a laboratory to deny services or treatment; and generally relating to HIV testing procedures and requirements for health care providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–336
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

**House Bill 979 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Cullison, Hill, Kelly, Reznik,
Sample–Hughes, and West**

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners and State Board
of Physical Therapy Examiners – Dry Needling – Registration Requirements**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain licensed chiropractors and certain licensed physical therapists from performing dry needling except under certain circumstances; authorizing certain licensed chiropractors who have the right to practice physical therapy and certain physical therapists to perform dry needling if certain health occupations boards have registered the licenses in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring certain health occupations boards to register certain licensees who submit to the board a certain application, evidence of completion of certain education and clinical experience requirements, and a certain application fee; requiring that certain regulations be developed in collaboration with certain health occupations boards, be at least as stringent as certain provisions of law, and require successful completion of certain courses; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, and registration requirements for dry needling.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 3–101 and 13–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 3–3A–01 and 3–3A–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3A. Registration for Dry Needling”; and 13–3A–01 and 13–3A–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3A. Registration for Dry Needling”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 980 – Delegates McCray, Moon, Anderson, Angel, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Campos, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Frick, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Jalisi, Jones, Kelly, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Morales, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnik, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex–Felons

FOR the purpose of altering certain qualifications for voter registration; providing that individuals discharged from incarceration are qualified to register to vote; requiring certain State authorities to notify certain individuals of their right to vote on release from incarceration; specifying that the notice include certain information; requiring the State Administrator of Elections to make arrangements with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to receive certain monthly reports concerning certain individuals with criminal convictions who are released from incarceration; requiring certain courts to notify certain defendants concerning their voting rights prior to accepting a guilty plea and before sentencing; and generally relating to voting rights and ex–felons.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 3–102, 3–204, 3–504, and 16–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 6–234

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 981 – Cecil County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County – Orphans’ Court – Sessions

FOR the purpose of altering the frequency of the sessions of the Orphans’ Court in Cecil County; and generally relating to the sessions of the Orphans’ Court in Cecil County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 2–106(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 2–106(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 982 – Delegates Frush, Lafferty, and Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program; establishing the purpose of the Program; establishing the Maryland Beverage Recycling Organization; establishing the structure, purpose, and membership of the Organization; establishing a Board of Directors for the Organization; providing for the composition of the Board; providing for the election, terms, and staggering of terms of the Board; requiring the Board to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Organization; specifying the duties and responsibilities of the Organization; requiring that every redeemable beverage container sold in the State indicate a certain refund value in a certain manner on and after a certain date; prohibiting a certain container from being sold before a certain date; requiring that wholesale and certain retail prices of a certain container include a certain refund value on and after a certain date; authorizing certain on-premises sellers to apply to the Organization for a bulk refund rate; authorizing a redeemer to return an empty redeemable beverage container to a certain location for a certain refund on and after a certain date; requiring a certain retailer to accept an empty redeemable beverage container and pay a certain refund value on and after

a certain date; authorizing any retailer to participate in the Program; requiring a redemption center to accept an empty redeemable beverage container and pay a certain refund value on and after a certain date; requiring the Organization to establish and collect an exemption fee that a certain retailer may pay in lieu of participating in the Program; specifying the manner in which the exemption fee will be determined; specifying the manner in which a retailer or redemption center will calculate a certain refund value; specifying the manner in which the money collected from an exemption fee will be allocated; requiring the Organization to establish and operate certain redemption centers throughout the State; authorizing a county, municipality, or person to apply to the Organization to operate a certain redemption center; requiring the repayment of a certain loan in a certain manner; specifying the contents of Program revenue; specifying the manner in which unredeemed deposits will be used; establishing a Redeemable Beverage Container Environmental Grant Program; establishing the amount of funding for the Grant; requiring the Chesapeake Bay Trust to administer the Grant; establishing the Reserve Recycling Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; establishing the Maryland Recycling Advisory Committee; providing for the membership of the Committee; providing for the election and term of the chair; specifying the duties and responsibilities of the Committee; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide staff for the Committee; requiring the legislative auditor to audit the accounts and transactions of the Program; requiring the Organization to submit a certain report to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly beginning on a certain date and with a certain frequency; specifying the content of the report; authorizing the Legislative Policy Committee to initiate a certain review within a certain number of days after receipt of the report; requiring that certain investment earnings be credited to the Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–1733 through 9–1743 to be under the new part “Part V. Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation and the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 983 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s Community College – Certified County–Based Business Participation Program PG 405–15

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Trustees of Prince George’s Community College to establish and implement a Certified County–Based Business Participation Program to be used in community college procurement; requiring the Board of Trustees to establish certain goals and requirements for the Program and to consult with the Prince George’s County Council in the establishment and implementation of the Program; authorizing the Board of Trustees to use certain incentives and bonuses to achieve certain Program goals and requirements; requiring the Board of Trustees to submit a report on the Program to certain delegations of the General Assembly and certain county officials on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Board of Trustees to submit a certain preliminary report on the Program to certain delegations of the General Assembly and certain county officials on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a Certified County–Based Business Participation Program in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 16–417.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 984 – Delegates Oaks, Hayes, McMillan, and Pena–Melnyk

AN ACT concerning

Hepatitis C – Opportunity for Testing and Follow-Up Health Care

FOR the purpose of requiring certain hospitals and certain health care practitioners who provide certain care in certain health care facilities to offer, to the extent practicable, certain individuals a hepatitis C screening test or hepatitis C diagnostic test; establishing the circumstances under which a hospital or certain health care practitioner is not required to offer certain tests to certain individuals; requiring hospitals and certain health care practitioners to offer, to the extent practicable, certain health care to or make a certain referral for certain individuals under certain circumstances; requiring a certain offer of certain testing to be, to the extent practicable, culturally and linguistically appropriate; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to collect and analyze certain information, subject to the limitations of the State budget; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, on or before a certain date each year, to report on certain information to certain committees of the General Assembly; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to hepatitis C testing and health care.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 18–1003

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 985 – Delegate Kelly

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program; prohibiting an employee from disclosing certain information; authorizing a self-employed individual to elect to participate in the Program by filing a certain notice with the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; providing that a certain election becomes effective on the date a certain notice is filed; requiring a certain individual to participate in the Program for a certain initial period; authorizing a certain individual to renew participation in the Program for a certain period; requiring a certain individual to notify the Secretary in writing of the individual's withdrawal from the Program within a certain time period; requiring a certain individual to pay a certain portion of a certain contribution rate during a certain period; providing that an employee's right to benefits under this Act may not be diminished by a collective bargaining agreement entered into or renewed or an employer policy adopted or retained after a certain date; providing that a certain

agreement is void as against public policy; stating the purpose of the Program; providing for the manner in which the Program is to be administered; providing for the powers and duties of the Secretary under the Program; establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund as a special fund; providing for the administration of the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purposes for which the Fund may be used; requiring, beginning on a certain date, certain employers and employees to pay the Secretary certain contributions; requiring the Secretary to establish in regulation the rate of contribution; requiring the rate of contribution to be sufficient to fund the benefits payable under this Act and set in a certain manner; requiring, beginning on a certain date, an individual to meet certain conditions to be eligible for benefits; authorizing a covered employee to take certain leave on an intermittent leave schedule; requiring a covered employee who is taking certain leave on an intermittent leave schedule to take certain action; prohibiting an employer from taking certain action if leave is taken on an intermittent leave schedule; providing for the manner in which benefits are to be calculated and paid; requiring the Division of Unemployment Insurance, under certain circumstances, to notify certain individuals of certain information regarding the federal income tax; requiring the Division, under certain circumstances, to deduct and withhold a certain amount from benefits paid; providing for the manner in which certain employees who receive benefits are to be treated by employers; establishing certain prohibited acts; authorizing the Division to seek repayment of benefits under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary to waive the repayment of benefits under certain circumstances; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law; providing for the construction and application of this Act; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8.3–101 through 8.3–901 to be under the new title “Title 8.3. Family and
Medical Leave Insurance Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(1) and (2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 986 – Delegates Bromwell, Barron, Cullison, Hayes, Hornberger, Impallaria, Kelly, Kipke, McDonough, McMillan, Miele, W. Miller, Morgan, Reznik, Saab, Sample–Hughes, Szeliga, and West

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Maryland Commission on Efficiency in Government

FOR the purpose of creating the Maryland Commission on Efficiency in Government; specifying the duties of the Commission; providing for the membership, election of a chair, quorum, terms, and reimbursement of members of the Commission; authorizing the appointment of an Executive Director of the Commission; specifying the duties of the Executive Director; requiring the Attorney General to assign an Assistant Attorney General to the Commission for a certain purpose; requiring the Commission, subject to a certain agreement, to use certain existing space and equipment to the extent possible; providing for the use of certain personnel by the Commission; beginning in a certain fiscal year, requiring the Commission to prepare an annual budget of the Commission; requiring the governor to include a certain appropriation in the State budget; providing that the Commission is subject to a certain audit; providing a certain immunity from liability for the State, the Commission, and members of the Commission; requiring personnel in units of the State government to cooperate with the Commission for certain purposes; authorizing certain persons to ask the Chair and the Executive Director of the Commission to provide certain information; requiring, on or before a certain date and every year thereafter, the Commission to submit a certain report containing certain recommendations to certain persons; providing for the termination of the existence of the Commission by a certain date; providing for the construction of a certain provision of this Act; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Commission on Efficiency in Government.

BY adding to
Article – State Government

Section 9–3101 through 9–3111 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 31. Maryland Commission on Efficiency in Government”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 987 – Delegates Lam, Angel, Barron, Beidle, Carr, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hill, Korman, Lafferty, Lierman, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Pena–Melnyk, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, A. Washington, M. Washington, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Ambient Air Quality Control – Cumulative Air Impact Analysis

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a certain permit until certain requirements have been met; prohibiting the Department from recommending certain licensing conditions until certain requirements have been met; requiring the Department to conduct a Cumulative Air Impact Analysis under certain circumstances in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department to issue a certain report under certain circumstances in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to review a certain report and submit certain recommendations in accordance with certain requirements; requiring a certain final determination to address certain recommendations submitted by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide certain notice under certain circumstances in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department of the Environment to hold a certain informational meeting in accordance with certain requirements; authorizing the Department of the Environment to require a certain applicant to provide additional notice and opportunities for public input under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of the Environment to ensure that a certain notice, meeting, or hearing is meaningfully accessible to certain individuals; requiring a certain applicant to bear certain costs; requiring the renewal of a certain permit to be subject to certain requirements; requiring the Department of the Environment to maintain certain information on its Web site; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to identify certain factors, review certain science, and review certain data, on or before a certain date; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, after a certain date, to update certain information every 5 years; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to collect other data under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department of the Environment to expand the geographic scope of a certain defined term by regulation in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department of the Environment to develop a certain list in accordance with certain requirements; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a Cumulative Air Impact Analysis.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 2–1301 through 2–1306 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13.
Cumulative Air Impact Analysis”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 988 – Delegate Frick

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Prevailing Wage Rate Law – Penalties and Liquidated Damages

FOR the purpose of altering the penalty for certain violations of the prevailing wage rate law related to the posting of certain statements of prevailing wage rates; altering the amount of certain liquidated damages for which a certain contractor is liable for certain violations of the prevailing wage rate law related to payroll records; altering the amount of certain liquidated damages for which a certain contractor is liable when certain laborers or certain other employees are paid less than certain prevailing wage rates; and generally relating to the enforcement of the prevailing wage rate law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 17–219, 17–220, and 17–222

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 989 – Delegates McKay, Beitzel, Buckel, Glass, Krebs, Parrott, Shoemaker, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Legislation Impacting Local Government Land Use Decisions – Economic Impact Analyses

FOR the purpose of requiring certain Executive Branch agencies and the Department of Legislative Services to prepare economic impact analyses for certain bills that impact local government land use decisions; providing for the submission of certain economic impact analyses to the Department, certain committees, and certain individuals within certain time frames; specifying the minimum requirements for an economic impact analysis; requiring an Executive Branch agency or the Department of

Legislative Services to consult as appropriate with certain persons on the preparation of an economic impact analysis; requiring a unit of State or local government to provide the Department with assistance or information under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to include an economic impact analysis of a bill as part of a fiscal note, comment on a certain economic impact analysis, and revise an economic impact analysis under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to maintain a copy of an economic impact analysis on the Web site of the General Assembly; providing that an economic impact analysis of a bill need not be published in the Senate journal or House journal; providing that the validity of the enactment of a bill is not affected by the presence, absence, or content of an economic impact analysis; defining certain terms; and generally relating to economic impact analyses of certain bills impacting local government land use decisions.

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 2–1505.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 990 – Delegates Kelly, Bromwell, Cullison, and Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Benefit Exchange – Qualified Health Plans – Standards

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements for certification as a qualified health plan in the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange; prohibiting a qualified health plan from using a benefit design or implementing a benefit design in a manner that discriminates in a certain manner; prohibiting a qualified health plan from utilizing a certain management technique except under certain circumstances; requiring certain carriers to submit to the Exchange certain information at a certain time and in a certain manner; requiring the Exchange to perform a certain evaluation on or before a certain date; prohibiting certain carriers from making certain formulary changes during a certain period with a certain exception; authorizing certain carriers to make a certain formulary change under a certain circumstance; requiring a qualified health plan formulary to be reviewed by a certain pharmacy and therapeutics committee; establishing certain membership requirements for the committee; requiring the committee to perform a certain review in a certain manner and to make recommendations regarding certain matters; authorizing the committee to perform a certain review and make certain recommendations on certain prescription drugs in a certain manner under certain circumstances; requiring meetings of the committee to occur at a certain frequency; requiring certain carriers to make certain information available to the public in a certain manner; establishing certain provider network requirements for qualified health plans; requiring the Exchange and the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to establish certain standards;

requiring certain carriers to submit to the Exchange and the Commissioner certain information at a certain time and in a certain manner; requiring the Exchange and the Commissioner to review certain information to make a certain determination; requiring certain carriers to authorize the receipt of certain services from certain providers under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain carriers from requiring an enrollee to pay a certain deductible, copayment, or coinsurance amount for certain services under a certain circumstance; requiring certain essential health benefits to include a certain benefit that consists of prescription drugs that are offered in a certain manner; prohibiting a carrier from assigning a certain drug to a certain tier except under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements for certain qualified health plan deductibles; requiring the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring the Exchange to make available to certain enrollees and the public certain information; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange and standards for qualified health plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 31–115(b) and (k)(2), 31–116(a), and 31–119(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 31–115(k)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 31–115.1 through 31–115.3 and 31–119(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 991 – Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, Anderton, Davis, Kelly, Kramer, Lafferty, Moon, Otto, S. Robinson, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Interest Rate on Tax Deficiencies and Refunds

FOR the purpose of repealing the calculation of the interest rate on tax deficiencies and refunds; providing that the interest rate on tax deficiencies and refunds is a certain rate; repealing a requirement that the Comptroller annually set the interest rate on

tax deficiencies and refunds; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the annual interest rate on tax deficiencies and refunds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 992 – Delegates Hixson, Atterbeary, Beidle, Carr, Chang, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Gaines, Healey, Hill, Holmes, Hornberger, C. Howard, Jameson, Kaiser, Kittleman, Krimm, Lam, Lierman, Long, Luedtke, McDonough, Moon, Morhaim, Platt, Rosenberg, Shoemaker, Smith, Sophocleus, Tarlau, Walker, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Public and Nonpublic Schools – Student Diabetes Management Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with certain other organizations, to establish certain guidelines for the training of trained diabetes care providers; providing for the content of the guidelines; requiring each county board of education to require certain public schools to establish a certain Student Diabetes Management Program in the school; providing that certain nonpublic schools may establish a Student Diabetes Management Program in the school; providing that a nonpublic school may conduct or contract for a course for training trained diabetes care providers that includes certain items; providing for the purpose and requirements of the Program; authorizing certain employees to volunteer for participation in a certain Program; prohibiting public and nonpublic schools from compelling certain employees to participate in a certain Program; requiring certain trained diabetes care providers in the Program to perform certain tasks; providing that certain services performed by certain trained diabetes care providers may not be construed as performing acts of nursing under certain circumstances; establishing immunity from liability for certain employees under certain circumstances; requiring certain parents or guardians of a certain student to submit a Diabetes Medical Management Plan to the school under certain circumstances; requiring a certain meeting of certain individuals be held within a certain period of time; authorizing a certain student to perform certain diabetes care tasks under certain circumstances in accordance with a certain Plan; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a Student Diabetes Management Program and public and nonpublic schools.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–437 and 7–438

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 993 – Charles County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Charles County Sheriff – Arbitration of Collective Bargaining Disputes

FOR the purpose of establishing procedures for arbitration of collective bargaining disputes involving the exclusive representative of sworn law enforcement officers in the Charles County Sheriff's Office; authorizing any party to a certain collective bargaining agreement to declare a bargaining impasse under certain circumstances; establishing a certain method for selecting an arbitrator; requiring the parties to submit certain memoranda to the arbitrator on or before a certain date; requiring the arbitrator to hold a closed hearing; establishing certain authority and duties of the arbitrator; requiring the arbitrator to issue a certain report on or before a certain date; requiring the arbitrator to consider only certain criteria when making a certain determination; prohibiting the arbitrator from taking certain actions; requiring the parties to execute a collective bargaining agreement incorporating the last final offer selected by the arbitrator; establishing a certain method of distributing the costs of the arbitration; authorizing the parties to reach a voluntary settlement on unresolved issues at any time; authorizing any party to file a certain complaint in the Circuit Court for Charles County within a certain period of time; prohibiting the filing of a certain complaint from staying the implementation of a certain report or part of the report; requiring certain collective bargaining agreements to be made with the County Commissioners of Charles County, in addition to the Sheriff; authorizing sworn law enforcement officers in Charles County to collectively bargain with respect to certain matters; authorizing a certain sworn law enforcement officer or correctional officer in Charles County to discuss certain matters with the employer without the intervention of the exclusive representative only under certain circumstances; requiring the county or the Office of the Sheriff to give certain notice to the exclusive representative under certain circumstances; altering the time period during which an exclusive bargaining agreement for law enforcement officers may be valid; and generally relating to the arbitration of collective bargaining disputes and the Charles County Sheriff's Office.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(j)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 994 – Delegates Kaiser, Luedtke, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Brooke Grove Rehabilitation and Nursing Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Brooke Grove Foundation, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 995 – Delegates Hixson, Carr, Cullison, Gutierrez, Kaiser, Luedtke, Moon, Platt, S. Robinson, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Lawn Care Pesticides – Child Care Centers, Schools, and Recreation Facilities – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, with a certain exception, a person from applying a lawn care pesticide on the grounds of certain child care centers, schools, and recreation centers and on certain other recreational fields; authorizing a person to apply a lawn care pesticide on the grounds of certain child care centers, schools, and recreation centers, and on certain recreational fields, in accordance with certain provisions of law, if a certain person determines that an emergency application is necessary to eliminate an immediate threat to human health; prohibiting children from accessing a certain area treated with a lawn care pesticide for a certain time period; requiring certain child care centers, schools, and recreation centers to designate a certain contact person and keep a written record of any emergency application of a lawn care pesticide for a certain time period; requiring certain child care centers and schools to provide, to each parent, guardian, and staff member, a certain notice of the emergency application of a lawn care pesticide within a certain time period; requiring the Department of Agriculture to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the application of lawn care pesticides on recreational fields and the grounds of child care centers, schools, and recreation centers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 5–201(a) and (l)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 5–208.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–570(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 996 – Delegates Long, Afzali, Buckel, Cluster, Grammer, Hornberger, C. Howard, Metzgar, Reilly, Shoemaker, Tarlau, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Homestead Property Tax Credit – Application Requirement – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that a homeowner submit a certain application to the Department of Assessments and Taxation to receive the homestead property tax credit; repealing certain deadlines and procedures for filing the application for the homestead property tax credit; repealing a requirement that the Comptroller assist the Department with certain matters relating to applications for the homestead property tax credit; repealing a requirement that the counties reimburse the Department for the administration of the application process for the homestead property tax credit; and generally relating to repealing the application process for the homestead property tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–105(d)(1) and (n)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–105(d)(6), (l), and (m)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 997 – Delegates Hixson, Ebersole, Fennell, Long, Platt, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

**Blue Ribbon Commission on Voting, Openness, Transparency, and Equality
(VOTE) in Elections**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Blue Ribbon Commission on Voting, Openness, Transparency, and Equality (VOTE) in Elections; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Blue Ribbon Commission on Voting, Openness, Transparency, and Equality (VOTE) in Elections.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 998 – Delegates Jacobs, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Carozza, Ghrist, Kipke, Mautz, Otto, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Striped Bass Permits – Annual Fees

FOR the purpose of altering the annual fee for the commercial striped bass permit; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to annual fees for striped bass permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–701(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 999 – Delegates Cullison, Kelly, Kipke, and Pena–Melnyk

AN ACT concerning

Nurse Practitioner Full Practice Authority Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain prohibition against a certified nurse practitioner practicing in the State unless the nurse practitioner has an approved attestation that

the nurse practitioner has an agreement for collaboration and consulting with a certain physician and will practice in accordance with certain standards; requiring a nurse practitioner to practice in accordance with certain standards; repealing a requirement that the State Board of Nursing maintain a certain attestation and make the attestation available to the State Board of Physicians; requiring the State Board of Nursing, in consultation with the State Board of Physicians, to develop a certain plan; and generally relating to the practice of nurse practitioners in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–302(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–302(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1000 – Delegates Rosenberg, Anderson, Carter, Moon, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

DNA Evidence – Postconviction Review

FOR the purpose of expanding the group of persons who may file a certain petition for postconviction DNA testing or a database or log search; and generally relating to postconviction review of DNA evidence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 8–201(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1001 – Delegates Jalisi and Moon

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Bail Bonds – Return of Defendant

FOR the purpose of altering a provision of law so as to require a certain court to strike out a forfeiture of bail or collateral and discharge the underlying bail bond if reasonable grounds can be shown for the defendant's failure to appear, rather than if the defendant can show reasonable grounds for the defendant's failure to appear; providing that the filing of a certain motion within a certain time limit shall stay a certain matter and preclude the payment of any forfeiture of bail or collateral until a certain time; granting a certain surety a certain amount of time to pay a certain forfeiture of bail or collateral on denial of a certain motion; altering a provision of law so as to require the court to strike out a forfeiture of bail or collateral and deduct a certain expense if arrest, apprehension, or surrender and return of the defendant occurs after a certain time, the surety paid the forfeiture of bail or collateral during a certain period, or a certain motion was filed within a certain time limit; providing that evidence of confinement of a fugitive defendant in a correctional facility in the United States is a wholly sufficient ground to strike out a forfeiture, if the surety agrees in writing to defray a certain expense; altering a provision of law so as to prohibit a certain court from ordering a forfeiture of a certain bail bond or collateral and require the court to give back the bail bond or collateral to the surety if the defendant fails to appear in court and the surety files a motion accompanied by evidence, within a certain time limit, stating that the defendant is confined in a correctional facility and agreeing to defray certain costs; altering a provision of law so as to require a certain court to give back a certain forfeited bond or collateral if, within a certain time period, the surety files a motion accompanied by evidence stating that the defendant is confined in a correctional facility and agreeing to defray a certain expense at a certain time; prohibiting, when a certain motion is filed, a certain court from ordering a forfeiture of a certain bail bond or collateral and requiring the court to give back the bail bond or collateral to the surety whether or not the State's Attorney is willing to issue a detainer and later extradite the defendant; prohibiting a certain court from ordering a forfeiture of a certain bail bond or collateral and requiring the court to give back the bail bond or collateral to the surety if the defendant fails to appear in court and the surety takes certain actions; making a conforming change; and generally relating to bail bonds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 5–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1002 – Delegates Jacobs, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Carozza, Ghrist, Mautz, and Otto

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – County Oyster Committees – Authority

FOR the purpose of authorizing a county oyster committee to use certain funds to purchase oyster shells, seed oysters, or spat-on-shell for use on the public oyster fishery; and generally relating to the authority of county oyster committees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–1106(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1003 – Delegate Kramer

AN ACT concerning

Motor Fuel Tax – Distribution of Revenue

FOR the purpose of altering the distribution of motor fuel tax revenue; requiring that motor fuel tax revenue attributable to certain motor fuel tax rates be distributed to counties, municipalities, and Baltimore City in a certain manner; requiring that motor fuel tax revenue distributed to counties, municipalities, and Baltimore City be paid at certain times and used in a certain manner; requiring that certain motor fuel tax revenue be distributed to the Transportation Trust Fund; repealing a provision of law requiring that certain motor fuel tax revenue be credited to the Gasoline and Motor Vehicle Revenue Account in the Transportation Trust Fund; defining certain terms; repealing obsolete language; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the distribution of motor fuel tax revenue.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–1103 and 2–1104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–1105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–402 and 8–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–404, 8–405, 8–407(b), 8–408, and 8–409(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1004 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Alcoholic Beverages – Underage Individuals at Special Entertainment Events PG 319–15

FOR the purpose of authorizing a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in Prince George’s County that obtains a special entertainment permit to allow an individual over a certain age to be present on the licensed premises under certain circumstances; altering the age for admission to certain special entertainment events under certain circumstances; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(a)(1) and (r)(1) and (19)(i), (ii), and (v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(r)(2) and (19)(viii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1005 – Delegates Mautz, Adams, Hornberger, Impallaria, Metzgar, Otto, Rey, Shoemaker, Vitale, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Commercial Fisheries Offenses – Stay of Revocation

FOR the purpose of requiring a presiding officer after a certain administrative finding on certain commercial fisheries offenses related to oysters, crabs, or striped bass to stay a license revocation pending conviction for the offense, unless the presiding officer

finds or concludes that the licensee wantonly or willfully committed the offense; and generally relating to administrative penalties for commercial fisheries offenses related to oysters, crabs, or striped bass.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–1210 and 4–1211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1006 – Delegates Cullison, Barkley, Beidle, Dumais, Frush, Hayes, Hill, Kelly, Korman, McComas, Miele, Morhaim, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, Reznik, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals – Designation of Caregivers

FOR the purpose of requiring a hospital to provide a certain patient or the legal guardian of a certain patient with a certain number of opportunities to designate a caregiver within a certain number of hours after the entrance of the patient to the hospital and before the patient is discharged from the hospital; requiring a hospital to provide a certain patient who is unconscious or otherwise incapacitated on entry into a hospital or the legal guardian of the patient with the opportunity to designate a caregiver within a certain number of hours after the patient regains consciousness or otherwise regains capacity; requiring a hospital to document in a certain patient's medical record certain information; requiring a hospital to request consent from a certain patient or the legal guardian of the patient to release certain medical information; providing that a hospital is not required to provide certain notice required under a certain provision of this Act or consult with or provide certain information under a certain provision of this Act to a caregiver under certain circumstances; authorizing a patient to change the designation of a caregiver; requiring a hospital to record a change in the designation of a caregiver in the patient's medical record within a certain number of hours after the change; providing that a designation as a caregiver does not obligate an individual to perform certain tasks; requiring a hospital to notify a caregiver of the discharge of a patient or transfer of a patient to a certain facility within a certain time period; requiring a hospital to consult with the caregiver and patient regarding certain issues and issue a certain discharge plan within a certain time period; requiring a discharge plan to include certain information; requiring a hospital to provide in a certain manner and in accordance with certain requirements and laws a caregiver and patient with certain instructions, an opportunity for certain questions, and certain answers; requiring that certain discharge plans and instructions be documented in a patient's medical record; authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt

certain regulations; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the designation of caregivers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–301(a) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 19–380 through 19–385 to be under the new part “Part XI. Designation of Caregivers”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1007 – Delegates McMillan, Davis, and Holmes

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Condominiums and Homeowners Associations – Disclosures to Purchasers on Resale of Unit or Lot – Limitation on Fees

FOR the purpose of limiting the amount of the fee that a condominium council of unit owners may charge a unit owner to furnish a certain certificate; requiring a homeowners association or certain other persons to provide certain information within a certain number of days after a certain request by a lot owner and receipt of a certain fee; and generally relating to the resale of a condominium unit or a lot located in a certain development.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 11–135(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 11–135(c) and 11B–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1008 – Delegates Mautz, Adams, Beitzel, Buckel, Carey, Carozza, Fisher, Flanagan, Gutierrez, Hornberger, S. Howard, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, McDonough, Metzgar, Reilly, Rey, Shoemaker, Sophocleus, Vitale, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Recreational Hunting and Fishing License Applications – Voter Registration

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Elections and the Department of Natural Resources to jointly develop and implement procedures for persons who apply for the issuance or renewal of a recreational hunting or fishing license online to be offered the opportunity to register to vote through a link to Maryland's Online Voter Registration System; prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from being deemed a voter registration agency for the purposes of providing, accepting, and forwarding to the State Board voter registration applications; and generally relating to the inclusion of voter registration in the application process for recreational hunting and fishing licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 3-204(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 3-204(b) through (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 1-104(m)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1009 – Delegates Smith, Luedtke, Moon, Morales, Platt, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Procedure – Immunity – Alcohol- or Drug-Related Medical
Emergencies**

FOR the purpose of establishing that the act of seeking assistance by a person who experiences a medical emergency after ingesting or using alcohol or drugs may be used as a mitigating factor in a criminal prosecution of the person; altering a certain provision providing certain immunity to a person who seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of certain medical assistance by providing the immunity from a criminal arrest, charge, or prosecution and providing immunity when a person is reasonably believed to be experiencing a medical emergency rather than when the person is experiencing a medical emergency; altering a certain provision providing certain immunity to a person who seeks certain medical assistance by providing immunity from a criminal arrest, charge, or prosecution and providing immunity when the person reasonably believes that the person is experiencing a medical emergency rather than when the person is experiencing a medical emergency; extending the applicability of certain immunity provisions to certain drug paraphernalia offenses and certain persons who receive certain medical assistance; prohibiting a person who seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of certain medical assistance from being sanctioned for a violation of a condition of pretrial release, probation, or parole under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person who seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of certain medical assistance from being detained or prosecuted in connection with an outstanding warrant under certain circumstances; clarifying certain language; and generally relating to immunity and alcohol– or drug–related medical emergencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 1–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1010 – Delegates Kelly, Cullison, Morhaim, Pena–Melnyk, Reznik, and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance – Federal and State Mental Health and Addiction Parity Laws
– Report on Compliance**

FOR the purpose of requiring health maintenance organizations, insurers, and nonprofit health service plans that offer certain contracts and health benefit plans to submit to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner a report certifying and outlining how certain contracts and health benefit plans comply with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act and certain State mental health and addiction parity laws; requiring the report to be submitted on certain dates by a certain person and to include certain information; providing that the report is a public record; establishing certain penalties for certain violations; defining certain terms; and

generally relating to federal and State mental health and addiction parity laws under health insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 19–703.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance
Section 15–802.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1011 – Delegates Szeliga, Kelly, and Kipke

AN ACT concerning

Health General – Birth Certificates – Issuance of Copies

FOR the purpose of authorizing the issuance of a certified or an abridged copy of a birth certificate to an adult child of the individual to whom the record relates; and generally relating to the issuance of copies of birth certificates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 4–217(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1012 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Homeowner’s Insurance and Renter’s Insurance – Adjustment and Settlement Practices

FOR the purpose of requiring insurers that provide homeowner’s insurance or renter’s insurance in the State to employ adjusters in the State for certain purposes; prohibiting an adjuster who is employed by an insurer from making certain representations under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain public adjuster whom a certain insurer engages from making certain representations under certain

circumstances; prohibiting an insurer from misrepresenting, or allowing certain adjusters to misrepresent, a certain relationship under certain circumstances; providing that a certain violation is an unfair claim settlement practice and subject to certain penalties; providing that a certain violation, when committed with a certain frequency, is subject to certain other penalties; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to adjustment and settlement practices under homeowner's insurance and renter's insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 10–401(a) and (d), 10–402, and 27–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 19–111.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 27–303 and 27–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1013 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, McConkey, Oaks, and Rosenberg

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Constitutional Amendment – Orphans' Court Judges – Election and Term Limits

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to require a judge of the Orphans' Court to hold the office for a certain term; providing for the judges of the Orphans' Court to be elected by certain voters at a certain election; establishing that a judge of the Orphans' Court shall hold the office from the election of the judge until a successor is elected and qualified; providing an exception to a constitutional requirement for the term of certain elected officers; repealing a certain obsolete reference; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department

Section 40A

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article XVII – Quadrennial Elections
Section 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1014 – Delegates Jalisi, Carter, Conaway, Hornberger, Moon, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Sexual Assault Disciplinary Proceedings – Presence of Attorney or Nonattorney Advocate

FOR the purpose of requiring certain institutions of higher education to allow certain students and certain student organizations to be represented by certain licensed attorneys or certain nonattorney advocates in certain disciplinary proceedings relating to sexual assault under certain circumstances; establishing the responsibility of the student or student organization for certain costs of representation; authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to sexual assault disciplinary proceedings at institutions of higher education in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 11–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 1015 – Delegate Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Responsible Tobacco Retailing Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of establishing the Responsible Tobacco Retailing Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; repealing certain licensing exemptions for certain retailers of certain tobacco products; increasing certain licensing fees for certain retailers of certain tobacco products; requiring certain license applicants to submit certain documentation on or after a certain date; establishing and providing for the calculation of a certain supplemental license fee for certain licenses;

modifying the expiration date for a certain license; establishing certain conditions for the renewal of certain licenses; authorizing the Comptroller to deny certain licenses, reprimand certain licensees, or suspend or revoke certain licenses under certain circumstances; modifying a certain exception relating to a certain license suspension and certain offer of compromise; altering the intent of the General Assembly relating to the use of certain license fees; requiring the Governor to include, for certain fiscal years, certain appropriations for a certain program; prohibiting certain laws from being construed to preempt a county or municipal government from enacting certain provisions, with certain exceptions; requiring a person to have a certain license when the person acts as a certain electronic smoking device retailer; establishing certain license fees for certain products authorized for sale at retail under certain licenses; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to issue an electronic smoking device retailer license under certain circumstances; providing for the scope of a certain license; establishing the purpose of a certain program; requiring the Department to conduct certain inspections, adopt certain regulations, and provide certain services to certain retailers; prohibiting the distribution of certain items under certain circumstances; establishing a certain affirmative defense; requiring distributors of certain items to meet certain requirements on or before a certain date; authorizing a local health officer or certain designee to issue a certain citation under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties; providing that a certain statement or claim constitutes certain evidence; providing that a certain citation is governed by certain provisions of law; providing for the construction and application of this Act; defining certain terms; altering certain defined terms; and generally relating to the Responsible Tobacco Retailing Program and the sale and distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, and electronic smoking devices.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 16–201, 16–202, 16–204(b), 16–206(a), 16–207, 16–210(a), 16–212(e), 16–216, and 16–306; and 16.5–101, 16.5–201, 16.5–203(b), 16.5–204, and 16.5–213, to be under the amended title “Title 16.5. Other Tobacco Products and Electronic Smoking Device Licenses”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 16.5–104 and 16.5–205(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24–1701 through 24–1708 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Responsible Tobacco Retailing Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1016 – Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission – Prince George’s County – Certified County–Based Business Participation Program
MC/PG 113–15**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission, in consultation with the governing body of Prince George’s County, to establish a Certified County–Based Business Participation Program for a certain purpose; authorizing the Commission to use certain incentives and bonuses to achieve the designated goals of the Program; requiring the Commission, in consultation with the governing body of Prince George’s County, to adopt regulations for the operation of the Program; specifying the contents of certain regulations; requiring the Commission to report to certain delegations of the General Assembly, the Prince George’s County Council, and the Prince George’s County Executive on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Commission to issue a certain preliminary report to certain delegations of the General Assembly, the Prince George’s County Council, and the Prince George’s County Executive on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Certified County–Based Business Participation Program of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Land Use

Section 14–101(a), (b), and (l)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Land Use

Section 15–401 through 15–404 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Certified County–Based Business Participation Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1017 – Delegates Parrott, Afzali, Aumann, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Fisher, S. Howard, Jacobs, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, McDonough, Metzgar, Otto, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vogt, West, and Ciliberti

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Qualification of Voters – Proof of Identity

FOR the purpose of requiring an election judge to establish certain information with regard to certain voters; requiring an election judge to qualify a voter by requesting the voter to present a certain form of identification; requiring an election judge to authorize an individual to vote a regular ballot under certain circumstances; allowing a voter who is unable to present a certain form of identification to vote by provisional ballot under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from voting or attempting to vote under a false form of identification; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue an identification card to certain voters at no charge; and generally relating to proof of identity of voters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 10–310 and 16–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–301(a) and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–301(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1018 – Delegates Hixson, Gutierrez, C. Howard, A. Miller, Rosenberg, and Turner

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Early Voting Centers and Polling Places – Waiting Times to Vote

FOR the purpose of stating the intent of the General Assembly that no voter should have to wait more than a certain period of time to vote at an early voting center or polling

place; stating the intent of the General Assembly that the State Board of Elections and local boards of elections take every possible action to ensure that voters casting ballots at early voting centers and polling places are able to complete the entire voting process within a certain period of time; requiring the State Board to adopt a comprehensive plan to accomplish the goal that all voters at early voting centers and polling places be able to vote within a certain period of time; requiring the comprehensive plan to be adopted on or before a certain date and include certain elements; requiring the State Board to submit the comprehensive plan to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the State Board to analyze certain data, make the data available to the public, and submit a summary report of the data to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring the State Board to utilize certain data to revise the comprehensive plan, issue an updated plan, and submit the updated plan to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; and generally relating to waiting times to vote at early voting centers and polling places.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 10–310.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1019 – Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, Anderson, Carr, Frush, Gutierrez, Lam, A. Miller, Pena–Melnik, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Farmers' Rights Act

FOR the purpose of establishing that certain contracts for the production of livestock impose a certain obligation of good faith on all parties; requiring certain production contracts to include a certain disclosure statement and cover sheet containing certain information; requiring certain production contracts to comply with certain standards; requiring certain production contracts to be submitted to the Attorney General for review to determine compliance with this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to decline to review a production contract for certain reasons; requiring the Attorney General to take certain actions after reviewing a production contract; requiring the Attorney General to consider certain factors in determining whether a production contract meets certain requirements; establishing that certain actions of the Attorney General under this Act are not subject to judicial review; establishing that a production contract is deemed to comply with certain requirements under certain circumstances; establishing that certification of a production contract by the Attorney General does not constitute approval of the contract's legality or legal effect; authorizing a certain producer to cancel a production contract within a certain period

of time; providing that certain provisions in a production contract are void and unenforceable; establishing that a contract producer has a lien on certain livestock under certain circumstances; providing for enforcement of the lien; establishing procedures for termination of, cancellation of, or failure to renew a production contract; establishing that certain contract producers have certain rights; prohibiting certain contractors from engaging in or allowing their employees or agents to engage in certain practices; requiring a production contract to provide for resolution of disputes by mediation; establishing certain requirements for mediation; providing that a certain contractor that violates certain provisions of this Act is subject to a certain civil penalty; providing that a certain contractor that violates certain provisions of this Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a certain fine; requiring the Attorney General to enforce this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to take certain actions to enforce this Act; authorizing a certain contract producer to bring a certain civil action; requiring the court to award reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses to a contract producer under certain circumstances; exempting a contract producer from certain requirements to obtain injunctive relief; authorizing a court to order certain equitable relief in an action under this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to certain contracts for the production of livestock.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 24–101 through 24–902 to be under the new title “Title 24. Livestock
Production Contracts”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1020 – Delegate Sample–Hughes

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Wicomico County – Tri–County Council Multi–Purpose Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Tri–County Council for the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 1021 – Delegates Pendergrass, Anderson, Angel, B. Barnes, Barve, Carr, Cassilly, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Hammen, Hettleman, Jameson, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Kramer, Lam, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, West, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Richard E. Israel and Roger “Pip” Moyer Death with Dignity Act

FOR the purpose of authorizing a qualified patient to request aid in dying by making certain requests; prohibiting an individual from requesting aid in dying on behalf of a patient; requiring a written request for aid in dying to meet certain requirements; establishing certain requirements for witnesses to a written request for aid in dying; requiring a written request for aid in dying to be in a certain form; requiring an attending physician who receives a written request for aid in dying to make a certain determination and to accept certain documents or certain knowledge as proof of certain residency; requiring an attending physician to provide certain information to a patient for a certain purpose and to refer a patient to a consulting physician, under certain circumstances; requiring a consulting physician to fulfill certain duties; requiring an attending physician or a consulting physician to refer a patient to a certain individual for a competency evaluation, under certain circumstances; prohibiting an attending physician from providing a patient with medication for aid in dying until a certain individual providing the competency evaluation makes a certain determination and communicates the determination to certain individuals in a certain manner; requiring an attending physician to take certain actions, under certain circumstances; requiring a pharmacist to dispense medication for aid in dying, under certain circumstances; authorizing an attending physician to sign a qualified patient’s death certificate, under certain circumstances; requiring the qualified patient’s death certificate to list a certain cause of death; requiring an attending physician to ensure that the medical record of a qualified patient documents or contains certain information; providing that certain records or information are not subject to subpoena or discovery and may not be introduced into evidence in certain proceedings, except for a certain purpose; requiring a certain individual to dispose of certain medication in a lawful manner; providing that the death of a patient by reason of self-administration of certain medication shall be deemed to be a death from certain natural causes, for certain purposes; making void a certain provision of certain legal instruments; prohibiting a certain provision of law enacted by this Act from being construed to prohibit a certain cause of action; providing that this Act does not authorize certain individuals to end a patient’s life by certain means; providing that actions taken in accordance with this Act do not constitute certain actions; making certain provisions in an insurance policy or certain other agreements issued on or after a certain date invalid; prohibiting certain obligations existing on a certain date or certain actions taken in relation to certain insurance policies from being conditioned on or affected by the making or rescinding of a request for aid in dying; prohibiting a qualified patient’s act of

self-administering medication for aid in dying from having certain effects under certain insurance policies; prohibiting a person from being subject to certain liability or certain action for participating in good faith compliance with this Act; prohibiting certain persons or entities from subjecting a person to certain actions for participating or refusing to participate in good faith compliance with this Act; providing that a patient's request for aid in dying or an attending physician's prescription of medication in good faith compliance with this Act does not constitute neglect or provide the sole basis for an appointment of a guardian or conservator; authorizing a health care provider to prohibit another health care provider from participating in aid in dying on certain premises, under certain circumstances; authorizing a health care provider to subject another health care provider to certain sanctions, under certain circumstances; providing that certain authorization does not prohibit a health care provider from participating in aid in dying, under certain circumstances, or prohibit a patient from contracting with a certain physician for a certain purpose; providing that participation by a health care provider in aid in dying is voluntary; prohibiting a health care facility from requiring certain physicians to participate in aid in dying; requiring an attending physician to provide certain information to a patient and transfer a copy of certain medical records, under certain circumstances; authorizing a health care facility to adopt certain policies; establishing certain penalties for certain violations; providing that certain provisions of this Act do not limit certain liability; providing that certain penalties do not preclude certain penalties applicable under other law for certain conduct; establishing that a licensed health care professional does not violate the statutory prohibition on assisted suicide by taking certain actions in accordance with this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to aid in dying.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 5–6A–01 through 5–6A–16 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6A. The
Richard E. Israel and Roger “Pip” Moyer Death with Dignity Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1022 – Delegates C. Wilson, Anderson, Atterbeary, Barron, Cullison, Flanagan, Glass, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hettleman, Hornberger, Impallaria, Lam, Lierman, Moon, Oaks, Rosenberg, Valderrama, Vaughn, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman in the Office of the Attorney General; providing for the purpose and staffing of the Office; providing for the appointment, qualifications, term, and salary of the Child Welfare Ombudsman; requiring the Ombudsman to be a full-time State employee; authorizing the Attorney General to remove the Ombudsman under certain circumstances; providing that the Office shall include certain staff; authorizing the Ombudsman to appoint and employ certain staff and hire or contract with certain experts; requiring the Ombudsman, under certain circumstances, to use the services and personnel of certain units; requiring certain units, under certain circumstances, to cooperate with the Ombudsman; requiring the Attorney General and the Secretary of Budget and Management to set minimum salaries, qualifications, and certain standards for positions in the Office; requiring that the budget for the Office be part of the budget of the Office of the Attorney General; providing that the salaries of certain staff and certain expenses must be provided for in the State budget; providing that certain personnel are subject to certain provisions of law; establishing certain procedures regarding certain salaries; establishing the duties and powers of the Office and the Ombudsman; establishing certain complaint policies and procedures; requiring the local departments of social services to include certain information relating to the complaint procedures in the records of certain children; requiring the Ombudsman to treat certain complaints as confidential, to protect the identities of certain persons involved in the complaint, and to establish certain response times and safety measures; requiring the Office to provide certain training to certain individuals and inform certain children of certain information; exempting from disclosure under the Maryland Public Information Act records related to certain complaints; requiring the Ombudsman to submit certain reports to the Governor, Secretary of Budget and Management, the Secretary of Human Resources, the Citizens Review Board for Children, the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect, and the General Assembly; requiring the Ombudsman to remove certain information before submitting certain reports; prohibiting a person from certain willful interference and discriminatory and retaliatory acts relating to complaints filed with the Office; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 6–501 through 6–511 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1023 – Delegates A. Miller, Carr, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Luedtke, Metzgar, Moon, Tarlau, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Public Schools – Thirsty Kids Act

FOR the purpose of requiring each public school to make available free, unlimited, potable drinking water for each student throughout the school day, to include a reusable water bottle on the school supplies list for each student in kindergarten through grade 12, and to provide certain cups for drinking water in certain locations; requiring the State Department of Education to encourage each county board to develop a plan to promote the consumption of drinking water, the use of reusable water bottles, and weekly cleaning of reusable water bottles; and generally relating to drinking water in public schools.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–437

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1024 – Delegates Saab, Arentz, Aumann, Beidle, Beitzel, Brooks, Buckel, Cassilly, Chang, Cluster, Fisher, Folden, Ghrist, Glass, Grammer, S. Howard, Kipke, Krebs, Lam, Mautz, McComas, McCray, McDonough, McMillan, Metzgar, Miele, W. Miller, O’Donnell, Oaks, Parrott, Pena–Melnyk, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Szeliga, Tarlau, Vaughn, Vitale, West, B. Wilson, C. Wilson, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Renewal of Handgun Permits – Fingerprinting

FOR the purpose of specifying that a person who applies for the renewal of a handgun permit is not required to be fingerprinted except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 5–301(a) and (d)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–309(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–309(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1025 – Delegates Folden and Cluster

AN ACT concerning

School Vehicles – Right Turn on Red – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of repealing certain authority of a school vehicle to make certain turns after stopping at a steady red signal; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to school vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 11–154
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–202(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1026 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Hayes, and Saab

AN ACT concerning

Community Mental Health Services – Telemental Health Services – Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners

FOR the purpose of requiring that regulations adopted by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene under a certain provision of law allow psychiatric nurse practitioners to provide and receive reimbursement from State and federal funds for the provision of telemental health services; and generally relating to the provision of telemental health services in community-based mental health programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 10-901(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1027 – Delegates Glenn, B. Barnes, Campos, Ebersole, Fennell, Frush, Gutierrez, Hixson, Korman, Lam, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Patterson, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, Valderrama, Vaughn, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Overwork Prohibition Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an employer to pay an employee a certain overtime wage for certain hours worked; prohibiting a certain break from being considered an interruption of consecutive hours for the purposes of a certain provision of this Act; prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to work certain hours except under certain circumstances; authorizing an employee to decline an employer request to work more than a certain number of consecutive days, more than a certain number of hours during a workweek, or during certain hours; requiring employers to keep certain records for a certain minimum period of time, maintain the records at a certain location, and make the records available for inspection by certain individuals; providing that each day an employer violates a certain provision of this Act is a separate violation; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to enter a place of employment for certain purposes; providing that certain records and statements are confidential and may be shown only to certain persons; requiring the Commissioner to take certain action under certain circumstances; authorizing the Attorney General to bring a certain action for certain relief in a certain county; prohibiting an employer from taking certain action against an employee under certain circumstances; authorizing an employee to bring a certain action against an employer under certain circumstances; authorizing a court, under certain circumstances, to award an employee certain wages, damages, fees, and other costs; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt regulations necessary to carry out this Act; requiring the Commissioner to enforce this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to conduct a certain investigation under certain circumstances; providing for the

construction of this Act; defining certain terms; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the Overwork Prohibition Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 2–106(b), 3–102(a), and 3–415
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–103(k); and 3–1301 through 3–1310 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
13. Overwork Prohibition Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 1028 – Delegates Branch, Barkley, Glenn, Lisanti, W. Miller,
Waldstreicher, and C. Wilson**

AN ACT concerning

**Business Occupations and Professions – Real Estate Salespersons and Brokers –
Formation of Business Entities and Payment of Commissions**

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain licensed real estate salespersons and licensed associate real estate brokers, with the consent of a certain licensed real estate broker, to form a certain business entity; providing for the formation of a certain business entity; authorizing payment of a certain commission to a certain business entity under certain circumstances; authorizing payment of compensation for the provision of real estate brokerage services to a certain business entity under certain circumstances; and generally relating to real estate salespersons and brokers and the formation of business entities and payment of commissions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–512 and 17–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 1029 – Delegates Haynes, Bromwell, Cullison, Glenn, Lam, Oaks,
Turner, and K. Young**

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Substance Use Disorders

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations setting standards that use the American Society of Addiction Medicine criteria for treatment, care, and rehabilitation of individuals with a substance use disorder; and generally relating to the treatment, care, and rehabilitation of individuals with a substance use disorder.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 8–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1030 – Delegates Cullison, Kelly, Oaks, Pena–Melnyk, and Reznik

AN ACT concerning

2–1–1 Maryland – Procurement of Services to Operate a Public Information Telephone Line or Hotline

FOR the purpose of requiring certain units of the State that provide health and human services to procure the services of 2–1–1 Maryland to operate public information telephone lines or hotlines in accordance with certain provisions of law unless the unit makes certain determinations and provides certain documentation to 2–1–1 Maryland; authorizing the Board of Public Works to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to 2–1–1 Maryland and the procurement of services to operate a public information telephone line or hotline.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24–1203(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 14–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1031 – Delegates A. Washington, Campos, Chang, Haynes, Korman, Lierman, A. Miller, Morales, B. Robinson, Sophocleus, Vaughn, and P. Young

AN ACT concerning

Governor’s Office for Children – Let’s Play Maryland Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Let’s Play Maryland Pilot Program in the Governor’s Office for Children; specifying the purpose of the Program; requiring the Office to administer the Program, develop requirements for grant applications, develop certain criteria for the evaluation of grant applications, develop a process for authenticating the availability of certain matching funds, publish certain information about the Program on the Office’s Web site, and review grant applications and award grants based on certain evaluation criteria; specifying certain eligibility requirements for participation in the Program; authorizing the Office, beginning on a certain date, to award grants to sports organizations or leagues under the Program; requiring each grantee under the Program, on or before certain dates, to report certain information to the Office; requiring the Office, on or before certain dates, to report to the General Assembly on the implementation and effectiveness of the Program; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget for certain fiscal years a certain appropriation for the Program; providing for the termination of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Let’s Play Maryland Pilot Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 8–101(a) and (m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Human Services
Section 8–1201 through 8–1209 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Let’s Play Maryland Pilot Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1032 – Delegates Jackson, Cluster, and Folden

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Transport of Weapons on School Property – Retired Law Enforcement Officers

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain prohibition on carrying or possessing a certain weapon on public school property does not include a certain retired law enforcement officer who is a parent, guardian, or visitor of a student attending a school located on the public school property; and generally relating to retired law enforcement officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 4–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1033 – Delegates Luedtke, Kaiser, Zucker, Barkley, Gutierrez, Kelly, Korman, and Smith

AN ACT concerning

Public and Nonpublic Schools – Sexual and Physical Abuse Notification and Prevention

FOR the purpose of requiring certain law enforcement agencies to notify certain county superintendents and certain employees of certain nonpublic schools if certain employees or certain other adults working on school property are arrested for certain crimes within a certain period of time; requiring a certain county superintendent and certain employees of certain nonpublic schools to notify certain parents and employees of a certain arrest within a certain period of time; requiring a certain notification to contain certain information; authorizing certain county superintendents and certain employees of certain nonpublic schools to delay a certain notification if requested to do so by certain law enforcement agencies under certain circumstances; requiring certain county boards and certain nonpublic schools to ensure that certain employees receive a certain annual training and providing for the content of the training; requiring the State Board of Education to provide certain links to certain information on the State Board’s Web site; requiring certain county boards and certain public and nonpublic schools to provide a certain link to certain information on a certain Web site; requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to sexual and physical abuse notification and prevention in public and nonpublic schools in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 7–437
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1034 – Prince George’s County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – Public Ethics – Governing Bodies of Municipal Corporations Exercising Zoning Authority
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FOR the purpose of altering the definitions of “candidate” and “member” for the purpose of applying certain public ethics requirements regarding payments and ex parte communications made during the pendency of certain land use applications to certain candidates for and members of the governing bodies of certain municipal corporations; making this Act contingent on the taking effect of another Act; and generally relating to public ethics requirements in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – General Provisions
Section 5–833(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions
Section 5–833(f) and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1035 – Delegate Oaks (By Request – Baltimore City Administration) and Delegates Anderson, Carter, Clippinger, Hammen, Haynes, Lierman, McIntosh, and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Tax Sales

FOR the purpose of requiring the tax collector in Baltimore City to withhold property from a tax sale when the taxes on the property are under a certain amount; altering the

time at which a holder of a certificate of sale may file to foreclose the right of redemption in Baltimore City; altering the time at which a certain notice of intent to foreclose the right of redemption on property in Baltimore City may be sent; authorizing an owner of property in Baltimore City to request the holder of a certificate of sale to provide certain information; requiring the request to be sent in a certain manner; requiring the holder of a certificate of sale who receives a certain request to provide certain information within a certain number of days; prohibiting a holder of a certificate of sale who receives a certain request from filing a complaint to foreclose the right of redemption on property in Baltimore City until a certain amount of time has passed; altering the amount of time that has to pass before a holder of a certificate of sale of property in Baltimore City may be reimbursed for certain expenses when the property is redeemed; prohibiting a plaintiff or holder of a certificate of sale of property in Baltimore City from being reimbursed for certain expenses incurred before a certain period of time has passed; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to establish, by law, a process to make property redemption payments by installment; requiring a court to include certain information in a final order in an action to foreclose the right of redemption of property in Baltimore City; altering the amount of a lien for unpaid water and sewer service which would authorize Baltimore City to sell the property at a tax sale; making conforming changes; and generally relating to tax sales of property in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–811, 14–833, 14–843, 14–844, and 14–849.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1036 – Delegates Jacobs, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Carozza, Ghrist, Hornberger, S. Howard, Impallaria, Kipke, Mautz, Otto, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Oyster Poaching – Administrative Penalties

FOR the purpose of altering the administrative penalties that apply to a person for knowingly committing certain offenses related to oyster poaching by authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to suspend the person’s oyster license for a first offense; clarifying that any one of certain oyster poaching offenses qualifies as a second or subsequent offense for certain purposes under certain circumstances; and generally relating to administrative penalties for oyster poaching.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–1210

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1037 – Delegates Zucker, Luedtke, and Kaiser

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Damascus Volunteer Fire Department

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Damascus Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 1038 – Delegates Shoemaker, Cluster, Glass, Jalisi, Kittleman, Long, McConkey, W. Miller, and Morgan

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Speed Monitoring, Work Zone Speed Control, and Traffic Control Signal Monitoring Systems – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority to use work zone speed control systems to enforce certain highway speed laws within work zones; requiring the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Department of Legislative Services, to correct any references throughout the Annotated Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act and to describe any corrections in an editor's note following the section affected; and generally relating to the repeal of provisions of law authorizing the use of work zone speed control systems.

BY repealing

Article – Transportation

Section 21–810

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1039 – Wicomico County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages – Micro–Breweries – Annual Production Limit

FOR the purpose of raising in Wicomico County the limit on the number of barrels of malt beverages that a micro–brewery may collectively brew, bottle, or contract for in a calendar year; and generally relating to micro–breweries in Wicomico County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–208(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1040 – Wicomico County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County – Board of Education

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain members of the Wicomico County Board of Education be elected; requiring that certain members of the county board be appointed; providing for a student member of the county board; establishing the composition of the county board; providing for the qualifications, terms of office, and the filling of a vacancy of certain members of the county board; establishing a procedure for the election and appointment of members of the county board; establishing certain removal, hearing, and appeal procedures for certain members of the county board; providing for the termination of the terms of certain members of the county board; submitting this Act to a referendum of the legally qualified voters of Wicomico County for their adoption or rejection; and generally relating to the Wicomico County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–105 and 3–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 3–13A–01 through 3–13A–03 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13A.
Wicomico County”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**House Bill 1041 – Delegates Fisher, Aumann, Kittleman, Krebs, McDonough,
W. Miller, Oaks, and West**

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Opioids Time–Lock Dispenser Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish a certain opioids time–lock dispenser pilot program; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations to implement the pilot program; authorizing the regulations to include any other provisions necessary to carry out the pilot program; prohibiting the regulations from requiring an individual to pay a fee in order to get a time–lock dispenser; requiring the Secretary to submit a report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the progress of the pilot program; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the opioids time–lock dispenser pilot program.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 8–4A–01 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4A. Opioids Time–Lock
Dispenser Pilot Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1042 – Delegate Stein

AN ACT concerning

**Environment – Nitrogen Oxide Emissions – Pollution and Combustion Control
Technologies**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain nitrogen oxide emissions rates for certain affected electric generating units from exceeding certain amounts; requiring the owner or operator of an affected electric generating unit to submit a certain plan for approval to the Department of the Environment and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on or before a certain date; requiring that the plan include certain information; requiring the owner or operator of an affected electric generating unit to minimize nitrogen oxide emissions by operating and optimizing the use of certain pollution and combustion control technologies beginning on a certain date; requiring an owner or operator of an affected electric generating unit to continue to meet certain emissions reduction requirements; requiring the owner or operator of certain

affected electric generating units to choose from certain emission control requirements; requiring that a certain calculation be used to determine a certain emission rate; requiring the owner or operator of an affected electric generating unit to demonstrate the unit's compliance with certain provisions of this Act by using certain information; prohibiting the owner or operator of an affected electric generating unit from being required to submit a certain report if the unit's emissions are below a certain rate; requiring the owner or operator of a certain affected electric generating unit to submit a certain report for each day that the unit exceeds certain emission rates; requiring that a certain report include certain information; stating that an exceedance of a certain emissions rate is not a violation of certain provisions of this Act if the provisions of a certain plan are met; requiring that compliance with certain provisions of this Act be demonstrated by a certain emission monitoring system; requiring that the owner or operator of an affected electric generating unit submit a certain monthly report to the Department; requiring a certain report to include certain information; defining certain terms; and generally relating to pollution and combustion control technologies for nitrogen oxide emissions.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 2–10A–01 through 2–10A–07 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10A. Nitrogen Oxide Emissions”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1043 – Delegates Parrott, Afzali, Beitzel, Buckel, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vogt, B. Wilson, and Ciliberti

AN ACT concerning

**Environment – On-Site Sewage Disposal System – Nitrogen Removal
Technology – Exemption**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to install, or have installed, an on-site sewage disposal system that does not utilize certain nitrogen removal technology to service a newly constructed building on property that a person owns in the State that is located outside the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area; authorizing a person to replace, or have replaced, an existing on-site sewage disposal system with a system that does not utilize certain nitrogen removal technology on property that a person owns in the State that is located outside the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area; prohibiting certain regulations from requiring a new or replacement on-site sewage disposal system to utilize certain nitrogen removal technology if the system is on property that a person owns in the State that is located outside the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area; and generally relating to on-site sewage disposal systems utilizing nitrogen removal technology.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1108(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1108(b) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1044 – Delegates Holmes, Valentino–Smith, and Vallario

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Family Life and Wellness
Intergenerational Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Richard Allen Community Development Corporation for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 1045 – Delegates Beitzel, Adams, Anderton, Buckel, Glass, S. Howard,
Impallaria, Jacobs, Jalisi, Kittleman, Krebs, Mautz, McKay, Metzgar, Otto,
Saab, Simonaire, and Vogt**

AN ACT concerning

Hunting – Use of Motorized Vehicles – Wounded or Disabled Military

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person who is a wounded or service–connected disabled member of the armed forces or a service–connected disabled veteran to use certain motorized vehicles for certain purposes while hunting; requiring certain regulations adopted by the Secretary of Natural Resources to authorize the operation in a certain manner of certain motorized vehicles on property owned or controlled by the Department of Natural Resources; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the use of motorized vehicles by wounded or service–connected disabled military while hunting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–209(b)(1) and 10–410(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–209(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1046 – Delegate B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Solicitation to Commit Murder or Arson – Statute of Limitations

FOR the purpose of providing that the statute of limitations for the crime of solicitation to commit murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, arson in the first degree, or arson in the second degree is the statute of limitations for the prosecution of the substantive crime that is the subject of the solicitation; and generally relating to the statute of limitations for the crime of solicitation.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–106(ff)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1047 – Delegates Smith, Anderson, Angel, D. Barnes, Barron, Brooks, Carr, Fennell, Hixson, C. Howard, Jackson, Jalisi, Luedtke, McCray, Metzgar, Moon, Morales, Patterson, Pena–Melnik, Platt, Reznik, Simonaire, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Enterprise Zone Income Tax Credit – Economically Disadvantaged Individuals – Qualified Ex–Felons

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “economically disadvantaged individual” to include certain qualified ex–felons for purposes of the State income tax credit authorized for certain business entities that hire certain economically disadvantaged individuals in certain enterprise zones; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for business entities hiring certain economically disadvantaged individuals in certain enterprise zones.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–702(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–702(c), (d), and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1048 – Delegates Gilchrist, Frush, Holmes, and Platt

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Drivers’ Education – Licensing

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain fines, revocations, suspensions, or refusals to grant or renew a license for drivers’ schools and driving instructors take effect a certain time period after the Motor Vehicle Administration provides notice of the sanction to the applicant or licensee; authorizing the applicant or licensee to remedy the underlying violation that led to the Administration imposing the sanction within a certain time period; requiring the Administration to void the sanction if the applicant or licensee remedies the underlying violation within a certain time period; authorizing certain applicants or licensees to provide any documents required by the Administration electronically; requiring the Administration to adopt by regulation any requirement with which certain applicants or licensees are required to comply; establishing that the Administration, with respect to inspection of drivers’ school classroom facilities, may only require certain fire inspections; establishing that a holder of a driving instructor license may conduct certain tests and evaluations for both the classroom and behind–the–wheel instruction for apprentice instructor permit applicants; and generally relating to licensing for drivers’ schools and driving instructors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation

Section 15–710 and 15–807
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 15–711 and 15–808
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

**House Bill 1049 – Delegates Hixson, Gutierrez, C. Howard, A. Miller,
Pena–Melnyk, Rosenberg, and Turner**

AN ACT concerning

Voter Registration Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring certain voter registration agencies to implement a fully automated voter registration system on or before a certain date; requiring certain voter registration agencies to submit certain reports to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates that include certain information about the work of the voter registration agencies to register voters; requiring public institutions of higher education to implement a fully automated voter registration system on or before a certain date; requiring public institutions of higher education to submit certain reports to the Maryland Higher Education Commission on or before certain dates that include certain information about the work of the public institutions of higher education to register voters; requiring the Commission to compile and summarize the information reported by public institutions of higher education in certain reports to the Commission that the Commission then shall submit to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; and generally relating to registration of voters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1050 – Delegate Jalisi

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Bail Bondsmen – Installment Agreements

FOR the purpose of establishing a minimum required down payment in connection with certain bail bond installment agreements; providing a maximum term of certain bail bond installment agreements; requiring a certain bail bondsman to file a certain action for certain relief within a certain period of time under certain circumstances; qualifying the actions that a certain bail bondsman shall take with respect to certain collections by requiring the bail bondsman to make certain efforts to obtain judgment under certain circumstances; and generally relating to bail bondsmen and installment agreements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 10–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1051 – Delegates Valderrama, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Aumann, Barkley, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Barron, Beidle, Brooks, Campos, Carr, Carter, Clippinger, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, C. Howard, Jameson, Jones, Kaiser, Kelly, Korman, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, Lisanti, Luedtke, McCray, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, Pendergrass, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Tarlau, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, K. Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Equal Pay for Equal Work

FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law concerning equal pay for equal work to prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender identity; prohibiting an employer from discriminating between employees in any occupation by providing certain less favorable employment opportunities based on sex or gender identity; providing that, for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning equal pay for equal work, an employee shall be deemed to work in the same establishment as another employee if the employees work at work places within a certain radius of each other; providing that a certain provision of law does not prohibit a certain variation based on a certain system or bona fide factor; providing that certain exceptions do not apply under certain circumstances; prohibiting an employer from taking certain actions concerning the disclosure or discussion of an employee's wages; authorizing an employer, in a certain policy, to establish certain limitations on certain inquiries about or discussions or disclosures of wages; providing that, under certain circumstances, the failure of an employee to adhere to certain limitations shall be an

affirmative defense against certain claims; providing that a certain employer prohibition against the disclosure of certain wage information may not apply under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, in consultation with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights, to develop certain educational materials and make certain training available for certain purposes; altering a certain provision of law to allow a certain employee to bring a certain action to recover the difference paid between certain employees who do work of a comparable nature; authorizing a certain employee to bring a civil action against an employer to recover certain damages for a violation of a certain provision of this Act; authorizing the trier of fact to award certain liquidated damages under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to award certain prejudgment interest under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to equal pay for equal work and the disclosure of certain wage information by certain employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–304, 3–306, and 3–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–304.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1052 – Delegate Morales

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Rape and Sexual Offenses – Consent

FOR the purpose of providing a definition for “consent” as used in provisions of law prohibiting certain sexual crimes; establishing that for certain purposes consent may not be imputed under certain circumstances; providing that for certain purposes consent may be withdrawn at any time; establishing that it is an individual’s responsibility to get a certain consent even if the individual is under the influence of

certain substances; establishing that an individual is incapable of providing consent under certain circumstances; and generally relating to sexual crimes and consent.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1053 – Delegates Jacobs, Adams, Anderton, Arentz, Carozza, Ghrist, Mautz, and Otto

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Workgroup to Evaluate Mental Health Care Delivery on the Eastern Shore

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to convene a workgroup to evaluate and make findings and recommendations regarding the state of mental health care delivery on the Eastern Shore of Maryland; requiring the workgroup to include certain individuals; requiring the Department to report the findings and recommendations of the workgroup in a certain manner to certain legislative committees on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Workgroup to Evaluate Mental Health Care Delivery on the Eastern Shore.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1054 – Delegates Folden and Cluster

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Threat Against State or Local Official – Law Enforcement Officer

FOR the purpose of making it a misdemeanor to knowingly and willfully make a threat to take the life of, kidnap, or cause physical injury to a law enforcement officer; imposing certain penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the making of a threat against a law enforcement officer.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–708
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1055 – Delegates Oaks, Carter, and Rosenberg

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Orianda Mansion Preservation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Baltimore Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 1056 – Delegates Vaughn, Barkley, Lisanti, W. Miller, Waldstreicher, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons – Continuing Education – Requirements

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law that requires certain licensed real estate brokers, associate real estate brokers, and real estate salespersons to complete fewer overall clock hours of continuing education instruction than the number generally required during certain licensing periods; requiring that certain mandated subject matter for continuing education courses be taken by a licensee each licensing period; making conforming changes; and generally relating to continuing education requirements for real estate brokers and salespersons.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–301(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 17–315(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1057 – Delegate Carter

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Synthetic Cannabinoids – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain authorized provider to conduct research in the State with certain controlled dangerous substances not scheduled under federal law under certain circumstances; listing synthetic cannabinoids on Schedule I to designate controlled dangerous substances that may not be legally used, possessed, or distributed; defining a certain term; requiring the Department of State Police to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to controlled dangerous substances.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–101(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–101(ff), 5–304, and 5–402(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–101(ff)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill 1058 – Delegates Carter, Anderson, Conaway, Glenn, McCray, Oaks,
and B. Robinson**

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Nonviolent Convictions

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain person to file a certain petition for expungement of a certain record if the person was convicted of a certain nonviolent crime; specifying the time period within which a petition for expungement under this Act may not be filed; providing that the determination as to whether a person who has filed a petition under this Act is entitled to expungement is within the discretion of the court; requiring the court to take certain circumstances into consideration when making a certain determination; making a conforming change; making a certain technical correction; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1059 – Delegates D. Barnes, Campos, Carter, Fennell, Glenn, Knotts, Lam, McCray, Oaks, Platt, B. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Valderrama, Vaughn, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Maryland Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Attorney General to take certain steps to identify, collect, and publish in a certain manner certain laws that impose a certain collateral sanction on a person who is convicted of a certain offense; requiring a State's Attorney to provide certain information to a person charged with a certain offense; requiring a court to confirm that a certain notice has been received and is understood by a certain person; providing that a new collateral sanction may be imposed only by a certain procedure; requiring a certain decision maker to take certain steps in making a certain determination; providing for the construction of a case disposition from another jurisdiction; authorizing a certain petition for a certain order of limited relief; authorizing a certain petition for a certain order for a certain certificate of restoration of rights; providing that a certain order may not be issued for a certain purpose; requiring a certain sentencing court or the Maryland Parole Commission to make a certain notification, issue a certain order, or impose a certain condition; authorizing a sentencing court or the Commission to restrict or revoke a certain order under certain circumstances; authorizing the court and the Commission to issue a certain order under certain circumstances; authorizing the introduction of a certain certificate at a certain judicial or administrative hearing; providing for participation by a certain victim in a certain proceeding; providing for the construction of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the citation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the collateral consequences of a conviction.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–301 through 10–317 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Maryland Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1060 – Delegate Luedtke

AN ACT concerning

Special Education – Individualized Education Program Facilitated Meetings

FOR the purpose of requiring each local school system to offer the services of an independent facilitator to certain parents and school personnel; authorizing certain parents and school personnel to request the participation of an independent facilitator in a certain meeting; requiring certain parents and school personnel to be offered an opportunity to resolve a certain disagreement in a meeting with an independent facilitator before a certain mediation or due process hearing; defining a certain term; and generally relating to special education and individualized education program facilitated meetings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 8–405

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1061 – Delegates Barkley, Aumann, Branch, Brooks, Davis, Frick, Jameson, Lisanti, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Issuance of Class A Licenses

FOR the purpose of increasing, subject to certain conditions, the number of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued in the State to any individual for a certain use; clarifying that, with a certain exception, no more than one license may be issued in any single county or Baltimore City to an individual; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to Class A alcoholic beverages licenses in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–102(a)(1) and 9–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1062 – Delegate K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Funeral Establishments –
Care and Custody of Human Remains**

FOR the purpose of requiring that care and custody by a funeral establishment begins and ends when certain activities occur for human remains intended for final disposition by interment at a cemetery, final disposition by cremation, or final disposition outside the State; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, funeral establishments, and care and custody of human remains.

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–410.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1063 – Delegates Luedtke, Zucker, and Kaiser

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Olney Manor Dog Park

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**House Bill 1064 – Delegates Hixson, Gutierrez, C. Howard, A. Miller,
Pena–Melnyk, Rosenberg, and Turner**

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Audits of Election Results

FOR the purpose of requiring a local board of canvassers to complete certain ballot accounting, reconciliation, and tabulation audit procedures in a certain manner before certifying the results of an election; requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt certain regulations relating to ballot accounting and reconciliation procedures; requiring that a tabulation audit be conducted of at least certain contests in certain elections; requiring that a tabulation audit be completed before the results of an election may be certified; requiring that a tabulation audit consist of a comparison of a manual count with the machine count of the same ballots; requiring that the manual count be considered the official and accurate record of the votes cast if there is a discrepancy between the machine count and a manual count; requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations governing tabulation audits; requiring that a recount consist of a manual count of the votes subject to the recount; requiring that the manual count be considered the official and accurate record of the votes cast in a recount; establishing the Election Audit Workgroup; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Workgroup to recommend certain regulations for adoption by the State Board on or before a certain date; requiring the Workgroup to direct and oversee a certain pilot tabulation audit; requiring the Workgroup to submit a report on certain matters to the State Board and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to audits of election results.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 11–308 and 12–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 11–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1065 – Delegates Hixson, Branch, Carr, Cullison, Dumais, Frick, Gutierrez, Kaiser, Luedtke, Moon, Platt, S. Robinson, Turner, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Taxable Price – Accommodations

FOR the purpose of clarifying the definition of “taxable price” for the State sales and use tax as it applies to the sale or use of an accommodation facilitated by an accommodations intermediary; altering the definition of “vendor” under the State sales and use tax to include an accommodations intermediary; defining certain terms; making a conforming change; and generally relating to clarifying the taxable price for an accommodation under the State sales and use tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–101(a) and (l)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–101(a–1), (a–2), (a–3), (a–4), and (l)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–101(k)(1) and (o)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1066 – Delegate Hornberger

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Nondisclosure Agreements – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain employers from including a certain nondisclosure agreement in certain documents, requiring an employee to enter into a certain nondisclosure agreement, or establishing an expectation with an employee that a certain relationship exists with respect to certain information; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to nondisclosure agreements.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–714

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

**House Bill 1067 – Delegates Glenn, Anderson, Carter, Hayes, McCray, Oaks,
Pena–Melnyk, B. Robinson, Smith, and Stein**

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Membership – Selection and Term

FOR the purpose of specifying that certain party affiliation requirements do not apply to a candidate for a position on the Public Service Commission; specifying that certain nomination and election procedures apply to the nomination and election of certain members of the Public Service Commission, subject to certain exceptions; specifying certain requirements for the nonpartisan election of a member of the Commission; requiring the State Board of Elections, before certifying the name of a candidate for placement on an election ballot, to determine whether a candidate qualifies for a position with the Commission; prohibiting an individual from qualifying as a candidate for the Commission under certain circumstances; specifying standards for nomination in a primary election as a nominated candidate for the Commission; specifying standards for filling vacancies that arise for certain reasons; specifying standards for election as a member of the Commission; specifying standards for resolving tied election results; providing for the election of a certain number of members of the Commission; specifying the terms of appointed and elected members of the Commission, based on staggered terms that take effect on a certain date; requiring an elected member to take a certain oath; providing for the terms of members of the Commission that are elected or appointed to succeed certain members of the Commission; and generally relating to the membership of the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 5–203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 8–901 through 8–906 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Public Service
Commission”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 2–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1068 – Delegate K. Young

AN ACT concerning

Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission – Nonresident Cardholders

FOR the purpose of requiring the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission to issue, in a certain manner, a certain confirmation of registration to a nonresident cardholder within a certain time period under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; providing that a nonresident cardholder may obtain medical marijuana only from certain growers and dispensaries; providing that a nonresident cardholder may not be subject to arrest, prosecution, or certain penalties or be denied any right or privilege for the medical use of marijuana; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission and nonresident cardholders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–3301, 13–3302, 13–3307, and 13–3313
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1069 – Delegates Rosenberg and Kaiser

AN ACT concerning

**Education – Professional Development for Teachers and Providers of Early
Childhood Education – Master Plan**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, to develop a certain master plan that focuses on certain issues relating to qualified providers of early childhood education services; providing for the contents of a certain master plan; requiring the Department and the Commission to make certain recommendations; requiring the Department and the Commission to submit a certain plan and certain

recommendation on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to professional development in the early childhood education workforce.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1070 – Delegates Vitale, Aumann, Metzgar, and Shoemaker

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Filling of Vacancy

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to provide that a vacancy occurring in the House of Delegates or the Senate of Maryland during a certain period of the term of office shall be filled at the next ensuing regular presidential and congressional election; establishing certain procedures for the election; deleting certain obsolete language; making stylistic changes; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 6, 7, and 13

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article XVII – Quadrennial Elections
Section 1, 2, and 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1071 – Delegates Hill, Atterbeary, Cullison, Davis, Ebersole, Gutierrez, Kittleman, Lam, Miele, Platt, and B. Robinson

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Judges – Election, Qualifications, and Term of Office

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; altering the method of filling vacancies in the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for retention elections following an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of a circuit court; altering the term of office of circuit court judges; altering certain qualifications for appointment of circuit court judges; providing for a transitional period during which the terms of

certain amendments are effective; repealing certain obsolete provisions; making stylistic changes; generally relating to the selection, election, appointment, qualification, tenure, and term of office for judges of the circuit courts; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 2, 3, 5A, 11, and 21(a)

BY proposing a repeal of the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 5; 18B and the part “Part IIA – Interim Provisions”; and 21A

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article XVIII – Provisions of Limited Duration
Section 6

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1072 – Delegates W. Miller, Adams, Arentz, Aumann, Branch, Carey, Davis, Glenn, S. Howard, Impallaria, Kramer, Lisanti, Mautz, Valderrama, Vaughn, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Discrimination Based on Engagement in Lawful Activities – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, under certain circumstances, an employer from failing or refusing to hire, discharging, or otherwise discriminating against an applicant or employee based on the applicant’s or employee’s engagement in a certain lawful activity off the employer’s premises during nonworking hours; providing that a certain provision of this Act does not apply to a certain restriction against engaging in a lawful activity under certain circumstances; authorizing an applicant or employee aggrieved by a violation of this Act to file a certain action against the employer to obtain certain relief; providing for a certain period of limitations for filing an action under this Act; authorizing a court to award certain reasonable costs to the prevailing party in an action under this Act; defining a certain term; making a conforming change; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a prohibition against employer discrimination based on engagement in lawful activities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–105

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–1301 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13. Discrimination Based on Engagement in Lawful Activities”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1073 – Delegates Lam, Atterbeary, Carr, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gutierrez, Healey, Hill, Kaiser, Lierman, McComas, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Platt, B. Robinson, Smith, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Crude Oil Rail Transport – Risk Assessment and Accident Prevention Study

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to jointly study the potential risks and impacts to the State in the event of a crude oil spill during rail transport in the State; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish certain plans as part of the joint study; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to jointly report the study’s findings and plans to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Department of the Environment to include certain information in a certain report; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the transport of crude oil by rail in the State.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1074 – Delegates Kipke, Adams, Afzali, Anderton, Angel, Arentz, Bromwell, Carey, Carozza, Cassilly, Cluster, Hornberger, Jacobs, Kittleman, Krebs, Mautz, McComas, McDonough, McKay, McMillan, Metzgar, W. Miller, O’Donnell, Parrott, Shoemaker, Szeliga, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Complimentary Hunting License for Former Prisoners of War or Disabled Veterans – Reciprocity

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to issue a lifetime complimentary hunter’s license to an out–of–state person who certifies that the person is a former prisoner of war or a 100% service connected disabled American

veteran if the person's state of residence extends similar privileges to former prisoners of war or 100% service connected disabled American veterans of this State; and generally relating to reciprocity for complimentary hunting licenses for former prisoners of war or disabled veterans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1075 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Antibiotic Drug Usage – Food–Producing Animals

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from administering an antibiotic drug to a food–producing animal under certain circumstances; requiring the State Department of Agriculture to establish by regulation a certain program; requiring the regulations adopted by the Department to include certain provisions; defining a certain term; and generally relating to antibiotic drug usage in food–producing animals.

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 3–1001 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Antibiotic Drug Usage in Food–Producing Animals”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1076 – Delegates Parrott, Afzali, Aumann, Beitzel, Cassilly, Ciliberti, Kipke, McDonough, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voter Registration and Absentee Voting – Proof of Citizenship

FOR the purpose of requiring individuals who apply to register to vote after a certain date to submit proof of United States citizenship; providing that individuals who are not citizens of the United States are not qualified to be registered voters; requiring an applicant for voter registration to submit certain documents or information to prove United States citizenship; requiring that a voter registration application not

accompanied by proof of citizenship be accepted but prohibiting the applicant from being registered until the applicant submits proof of citizenship; authorizing proof of citizenship to be submitted by certain methods and at certain times; requiring each applicant who is completing a voter registration application to be informed that the applicant must submit proof of citizenship and that the applicant will not be registered until the applicant submits proof of citizenship; authorizing an election director to remove a voter from the statewide voter registration list if the election director verifies that the voter is not a citizen of the United States; requiring certain voters requesting an absentee ballot to submit proof of United States citizenship; requiring that an absentee ballot application not accompanied by proof of citizenship be accepted but prohibiting the applicant from being issued an absentee ballot until the applicant submits proof of citizenship; and generally relating to requiring proof of citizenship for voter registration and absentee voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–102, 3–202, 3–501, and 9–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 3–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1077 – Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, Davis, Kelly, Kramer, W. Miller, S. Robinson, and Valderrama

AN ACT concerning

Privileged Communications – Critical Incident Stress Management Services

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a critical incident stress management team member from disclosing certain communications or information acquired from a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, or an emergency responder in the course of providing critical incident stress management services; prohibiting a critical incident stress management team member from being compelled to testify in certain proceedings or investigations; prohibiting an individual who participates in or is present during the provision of critical incident stress management services from disclosing certain communications; prohibiting an individual who participates in or is present during the provision of critical incident stress management services or peer support services from being compelled to testify in certain proceedings or investigations; establishing certain exceptions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to privileged

communications acquired during the course of providing critical incident stress management services.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 9–125
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1078 – Delegates Frush, Fraser–Hidalgo, Gilchrist, Healey, Holmes, Lafferty, Lam, Mautz, A. Miller, S. Robinson, Tarlau, Waldstreicher, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Law – Dealers’ Facilities – Internet Locations

FOR the purpose of defining “dealer’s facility” and “dealership facility” to include any Internet location where a dealer conducts the business authorized by its license, for purposes of certain provisions of law that prohibit the coercion of motor vehicle dealers by motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches; and generally relating to dealers’ facilities and the relationship between dealers and manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 15–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 15–207(d) and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1079 – Delegates Shoemaker, Afzali, Buckel, Ghrist, Hornberger, Long, McKay, Metzgar, Reilly, Simonaire, and Szeliga

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maintenance of Effort Requirement – Alterations

FOR the purpose of removing the requirement that the maintenance of effort amount increase by a certain amount under certain circumstances; requiring certain county governing bodies to exclude the cost of a fixed term lease for a certain school facility from the maintenance of effort calculation under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain appropriations not excluded as certain nonrecurring costs from being included in calculating a county's highest local appropriation under certain circumstances; requiring a certain appropriation to be shifted from a county's school operating budget to the county's operating budget under certain circumstances; prohibiting the State Board of Education from denying a county's request to exclude certain appropriations from the maintenance of effort calculation as a qualifying nonrecurring cost; requiring the State Board, in collaboration with county governing bodies and county boards of education, to study certain issues relating to a certain application process; requiring the State Board to make a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to maintenance of effort funding.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(d)(1), (3), (5), and (6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1080 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Angel, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Barron, Campos, Ebersole, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frush, Gaines, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Hettleman, Hixson, C. Howard, Jalisi, Kaiser, Lam, Luedtke, McCray, Miele, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Patterson, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Sample–Hughes, Shoemaker, Simonaire, Smith, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

**9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System – Multiple–Line Telephone Systems – Direct Dial
(Kari's Law)**

FOR the purpose of requiring that, on or before a certain date, a person that installs or operates a multiple–line telephone system ensures that the system is connected to the public switched telephone network in such a way that an individual dialing 9–1–1 is connected to the public safety answering point without requiring the individual to dial any other number or set of numbers; defining a certain term; and generally relating to access to the 9–1–1 emergency telephone system and multiple–line telephone systems.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 1–314

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

House Bill 1081 – Delegates A. Miller, Afzali, Carr, C. Howard, Jalisi, Kelly, Korman, McMillan, Moon, Pena–Melnik, Platt, Waldstreicher, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Education – Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification within the State Department of Education beginning in a certain school year; providing for the purpose of the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification; establishing the requirements for a local school system to receive an Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification; requiring the State Board of Education to establish certain criteria on or before a certain date and provide certain information to certain local school systems on or before a certain date; requiring an Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification to be renewed each year under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 7–121
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1082 – Delegates McKay, Beitzel, Buckel, Krebs, Morgan, Parrott, Saab, Shoemaker, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Landlord and Tenant – Security Deposit – Use for Unpaid Water and Sewer Bills

FOR the purpose of authorizing a landlord to withhold all or part of a security deposit under a residential lease for unpaid water and sewer bills if water and sewer bills are required to be paid by the tenant under the lease; making conforming changes to provisions relating to purchasing a surety bond instead of paying all or part of a security deposit; altering the definition of “security deposit”; and generally relating to security deposits under residential leases.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8–203(a), (f)(1)(i), and (i)(2)(i), (4), and (6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1083 – Delegates Dumais, McComas, Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, D. Barnes, Barron, Carr, Clippinger, Cullison, Fraser–Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gilchrist, Glenn, Haynes, Healey, Hill, Impallaria, Kaiser, Kelly, Kramer, Krimm, Lierman, McCray, McIntosh, A. Miller, Moon, Pendergrass, Proctor, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Smith, Stein, Turner, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Child Custody – Legal Decision Making and Parenting Time

FOR the purpose of repealing references to the terms “child custody” and “visitation” in certain instances and substituting the terms “legal decision making” and “parenting time” in certain instances; requiring the court, in determining the appropriate allocation of legal decision making or parenting time between the parties to consider certain factors; authorizing the court to consider certain factors; specifying that certain factors are not relevant, except under certain circumstances; requiring the court to articulate certain findings of fact on the record; authorizing the court to award joint legal decision making to both parties under certain circumstances; prohibiting a party from changing certain circumstances of a child without agreement of the other party or order of the court under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to modify a child custody or visitation order or a legal decision making or parenting time order under certain circumstances; specifying that a party’s proposal to relocate the residence of the party or the child in a certain manner constitutes a material change in circumstances for purposes of a modification of an order; specifying the purposes of this Act; repealing certain provisions relating to a petition for visitation of a grandchild by a grandparent; authorizing a certain de facto parent and a certain individual who has established an ongoing personal relationship with a child to file a certain petition or motion in certain proceedings under certain circumstances; requiring a court to determine whether it is in the best interest of a child to grant legal decision making or parenting time to a de facto parent under certain circumstances, or visitation rights to a certain individual who has established an ongoing personal relationship with a child under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to consider certain factors in determining whether a certain decision of a legal parent is contrary to the best interest of the child and whether it is in the best interest of the child to grant certain relief to a certain individual; requiring the court to make certain findings of fact under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions relating to the relevancy of a disability of a party in a child custody or visitation proceeding; making certain clarifying and

conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to child custody, visitation, legal decision making, and parenting time.

BY repealing

Article – Family Law

Section 5–203(d), 9–102, and 9–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 9–101, 9–102, and 9–106 to be under the amended title “Title 9. Custodial Arrangements for Children” and the amended subtitle “Subtitle 1. Definitions; General Provisions”; and 9–201 through 9–204 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 2. Legal Decision Making and Parental Responsibility – Judicial Determinations”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 9–101, 9–101.1, 9–101.2, 9–103, 9–104, 9–105, 9–106, and 9–108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill 1084 – Delegates Pena–Melnyk, Glenn, Kaiser, and Tarlau

AN ACT concerning

Business and Economic Development – Maryland Design Excellence Commission

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Design Excellence Commission for certain purposes; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study, develop certain plans and programs, and establish certain events regarding design excellence initiatives; requiring the Commission to report its findings, recommendations, and actions taken to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; authorizing the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to make a certain recommendation; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Design Excellence Commission.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 10–468 through 10–470 to be under the new part “Part VII. Maryland Design Excellence Commission”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1085 – Delegates Long, Afzali, Anderton, Arentz, Buckel, Cluster, Folden, Grammer, Hornberger, Kipke, Metzgar, Miele, Reilly, Shoemaker, and West

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Qualified Maryland Toll Expenses

FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain amounts paid in a certain manner by taxpayers for certain toll expenses; requiring a taxpayer to submit certain documentation to qualify for the subtraction modification; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a Maryland income tax subtraction modification for certain amounts paid in a certain manner for certain tolls.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1086 – Delegates Lam, Atterbeary, Ebersole, Haynes, Hill, McComas, and McDonough

AN ACT concerning

Speed Monitoring Systems – Local Designees – Hearing and Approval

FOR the purpose of making a local jurisdiction’s designation of an official or employee to investigate and respond to questions or concerns about the local jurisdiction’s speed monitoring system program subject to the approval of the governing body of the local

jurisdiction following a public hearing; and generally relating to local designees and speed monitoring systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(1)(ix)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1087 – Delegates Clippinger, B. Barnes, Conaway, Fennell, Frick, Kelly, Kramer, Luedtke, Platt, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, and C. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Electricity – Community Solar Energy Generating System Program

FOR the purpose of establishing a program on community solar energy generating systems under the authority of the Public Service Commission; providing for the structure and operation of the program, including the generation of electricity and allocation of costs to subscribers to a community solar energy generating system; authorizing an electric company to submit a petition to own and operate a community solar energy generating system to the Commission; authorizing the Commission to approve a petition if the Commission makes a certain determination; requiring the Commission to approve or deny a petition within a certain period of time; specifying when an electric company may recover the costs associated with developing and owning a community solar energy generating system through base rates; requiring an electric company to sell certain services and attributes associated with the community solar energy generating system; requiring an electric company to use a certain method to refund or credit certain proceeds to ratepayers; requiring the Commission to determine an appropriate method for an electric company to distribute its proceeds to ratepayers; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations by a certain date; defining certain terms; stating certain findings of the General Assembly; and generally relating to a program for community solar energy generating systems.

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–306.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1088 – Delegates Ebersole, Carr, Cullison, Hill, Hixson, Lafferty, Lam, Luedtke, McCray, S. Robinson, Tarlau, Turner, and A. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Campaign Finance – Coordinated Expenditures Between Candidates and Outside Spending Organizations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting coordinated expenditures between candidates and certain outside spending organizations under certain circumstances; specifying certain parameters, limitations, and exceptions regarding coordinated expenditures between candidates and outside spending organizations; specifying certain penalties; authorizing the State Board of Elections to impose a civil penalty for certain violations; requiring certain penalties that are imposed and collected for certain violations to be credited to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; providing for the joint and several liability of certain persons for certain penalties under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the regulation of coordinated expenditures between candidates and outside spending organizations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 1–101(o)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–248

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1089 – Delegates Beitzel, Buckel, Krebs, McKay, Otto, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Economic Development – Rural Economic Development Program and One Maryland Tax Credit

FOR the purpose of establishing the Rural Economic Development Program to encourage businesses to locate and expand in certain rural counties of the State and provide certain rural counties of the State with funding for the expansion of infrastructure necessary to encourage businesses to locate in those counties; providing that certain provisions of the Program apply in certain counties; establishing an application process for the Department of Business and Economic Development to certify businesses that meet certain criteria as eligible for certain tax incentives; providing

that for a certain number of taxable years after a business is designated as a qualified business, the business is eligible for a certain property tax exemption, income tax subtraction modification, and sales and use tax exemption; prohibiting the Department from designating a business as a qualified business after a certain date; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; establishing the Rural Economic Development Program Infrastructure Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Department to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; requiring the Governor, for certain fiscal years, to include in the annual operating or capital budget an appropriation of a certain amount to the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; requiring a county, under certain circumstances, to repay a grant from the Fund; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; altering the definition of a qualified distressed county for purposes of the One Maryland Tax Credit program to provide that certain counties are not included as a qualified distressed county for purposes of the program; allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain income of certain qualified businesses; exempting from the sales and use tax the sale of certain capital equipment used by certain qualified businesses; exempting from property tax certain property owned by certain qualified businesses; providing for the interpretation of a certain provision of this Act; stating the intent of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to establishing the Rural Economic Development Program and economic development in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 1–101(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development
Section 5–1501 through 5–1503 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 15. Rural Economic Development Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 6–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–207(cc) and 11–232

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–307(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7–245

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters and the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1090 – Delegates Glenn, B. Barnes, Kelly, Kramer, and Pena–Melnyk

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Restaurants – Meals for Children

FOR the purpose of limiting the types of beverages that a restaurant may include in the price of certain menu options or meals; authorizing a restaurant to offer certain beverages to minors for a charge; and generally relating to restaurants and meals for children.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 21–304.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1091 – Delegates Beitzel, Buckel, McKay, Metzgar, Otto, and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Open Space Incentive Program – Payments to Counties

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions that provide counties with a certain percentage of revenues derived from a State forest or park reserve within a county; repealing certain provisions that provide counties with a certain percentage of revenues derived from concession operations within a State forest or park; requiring certain payments to counties for State forests, parks, and wildlife management areas that are exempt from the property tax; providing for the amount of the payments; providing for a biennial adjustment to the amount of the payments; establishing the manner of determining which land is considered in determining the amount of the payment; clarifying how to apportion the land in a State forest, park, or wildlife management area that is contained in multiple counties; clarifying when land shall be included in the total number of acres for a county in a fiscal year; excluding certain lands from being included in the total number of acres in a county; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to certify certain information to the Governor and the Secretary of Budget and Management on or before a certain date; requiring the Governor to include certain amounts to be paid to each county in the annual budget bill; requiring the State to pay to each county a certain percentage of a certain payment on or before certain dates; clarifying that the provisions of this Act may not be construed to prohibit the application of or collection of certain taxes; repealing certain obsolete provisions of law; defining certain terms; and generally relating to payments to counties for State forests, parks, and wildlife management areas within a county.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–101(a) and (e), 5–215, and 10–801
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–212 and 5–212.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 6–102, 7–210, 7–211(c), and 7–501(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 6.5–101 through 6.5–301 to be under the new title “Title 6.5. Open Space
Incentive Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1092 – Delegates Barkley, Metzgar, Platt, and Waldstreicher

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation Commission – Regulation of Fees and Charges

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Workers' Compensation Commission to adopt regulations about payment for the examination of a covered employee and the preparation of a report by a medical expert engaged by a party; authorizing the Commission to regulate fees and other charges for examinations and the preparation of reports by medical experts under certain provisions of law; prohibiting certain fees and charges from varying based on the party responsible for paying the fee or charge; and generally relating to the regulation of fees and charges by the Workers' Compensation Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–663
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1093 – Delegates Barkley and Aumann

AN ACT concerning

Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance – Enhanced Underinsured Motorist Coverage

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain insured to elect to obtain certain enhanced underinsured motorist coverage, instead of certain uninsured motorist coverage, under a private passenger motor vehicle liability insurance policy under certain circumstances; requiring certain insurers to offer certain enhanced underinsured motorist coverage under certain circumstances; providing for the characteristics of the enhanced underinsured motorist coverage, including the amounts of the coverage, what an insurer may exclude from the coverage, and the limits of liability under the coverage; providing for waivers of certain coverage in certain manners under certain circumstances; requiring an injured person and a certain insurer to take certain actions regarding a certain settlement offer under certain circumstances; establishing a certain exception to a certain limitation on duplicate or supplemental recover of certain benefits; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to private passenger motor vehicle liability insurance and enhanced underinsured motorist coverage.

BY renumbering

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509.1

to be Section 19–509.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509, 19–510, 19–511, and 19–513

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509.1, 19–510.1, and 19–511.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 17–103(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1094 – Delegates Smith, Barkley, Barron, Brooks, Carey, Carr, Carter, Dumais, Gaines, Glenn, Hixson, Jackson, Jalisi, Korman, Luedtke, Moon, Morales, Patterson, Platt, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino-Smith, Walker, C. Wilson, and K. Young

AN ACT concerning

**Consumer Protection – Monitoring Consumer Behavior and Shopping Habits –
Required Notice**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a merchant from using a wireless Internet signal or a cellular phone to monitor the behavior or shopping habits of a certain consumer

unless the merchant displays, at each entrance to the merchant's business premises, a certain notice in a certain manner; providing that a violation of this Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and is subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to merchants and the use of technology to monitor consumer behavior or shopping habits.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–1324

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Economic Matters.

House Bill 1095 – Delegates Smith, Carr, Ebersole, Fennell, Lam, Luedtke, Moon, Tarlau, and Walker

AN ACT concerning

Public Schools – Nutrition Standards – Vending Machines and Marketing

FOR the purpose of requiring certain county boards of education to develop and implement a policy that requires that all foods and beverages sold from a vending machine in an area of a public school that is accessible to students at any time during the day comply with certain nutrition standards adopted by the State Board of Education and a certain wellness policy adopted by the local school system; requiring certain county boards of education to develop and implement a policy that requires that all oral, written, and visual marketing on a public school campus for foods and beverages comply with certain nutrition standards adopted by the State Board and a certain wellness policy adopted by the local school system; repealing the requirement that certain vending machines have and use certain timing devices; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to nutrition standards for foods and beverages in public schools.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 7–423

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–423 and 7–423.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 1096 – Delegates Rosenberg and Stein

AN ACT concerning

**Agriculture – Weight and Measure Requirements – Exemption for Biodiesel
Purchasing Cooperative**

FOR the purpose of exempting a certain biodiesel buying cooperative from certain weight and measure requirements for the sale of liquid fuel; defining certain terms; making conforming changes; and generally relating to weight and measure requirements for liquid fuel.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 11–315
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

House Bill 1097 – Delegates Glenn and McCray

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Moveable Feast

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Moveable Feast, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill 1098 – Delegates Rosenberg and Holmes

AN ACT concerning

**Public Housing Authorities – Property Transfers – Rights and Benefits of
Tenants**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Community Development Administration, after an application is approved for low-income housing tax credits for a certain property that

is owned by a public housing authority and is to be transferred to a receiving entity, to include in a certain covenant certain language regarding the duty of the owner of the property; requiring the Administration to include in a certain additional covenant regarding certain properties in Baltimore City certain language regarding the duties of the owner of the property; providing for the effect of this Act; and generally relating to the transfer of property from a public housing authority to a receiving entity.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–216
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

House Joint Resolution 4 – Delegates McKay, Impallaria, Morgan, Parrott, Saab, Shoemaker, and B. Wilson

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Moratorium on Taxes and Regulations

FOR the purpose of committing to the residents of the State that there will be a 4–year moratorium on increasing any existing taxes, establishing any new taxes, and mandating any additional regulations.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Joint Resolution 5 – Delegates Mautz, Adams, Beitzel, Buckel, Carey, S. Howard, Kipke, Shoemaker, and Vitale

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Natural Resources – Goose and Duck Hunting Seasons – Extension

FOR the purpose of urging the members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation to work with Congress and the United States Department of the Interior to extend goose

hunting and duck hunting seasons on the Eastern Shore to run through February of each year.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Joint Resolution 6 – Delegates Parrott, Afzali, Aumann, Beitzel, Buckel, Carozza, Cassilly, Ciliberti, Glass, Kipke, Kittleman, Krebs, McDonough, Metzgar, Miele, Shoemaker, Szeliga, Vogt, West, and B. Wilson

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Buy Maryland

FOR the purpose of urging State agencies to procure goods and services from businesses located in the State of Maryland; and generally relating to the procurement of goods and services by State agencies.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Senate Bill 1 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Refills of Prescriptions During State of Emergency

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a pharmacist, during a state of emergency, may refill a prescription for a drug for which the refill has not been authorized; providing that a pharmacist who is working in Maryland, instead of the area declared an emergency, may refill the prescription if the federal or any state government, instead of the federal or this State's government, declares a state of emergency; increasing the maximum quantity of the drug that may be dispensed under the prescription refill; and generally relating to refills of prescriptions during a state of emergency.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–101(a) and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–506(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

Senate Bill 13 – Senators Conway and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “fully online distance education program” as it relates to the registration of institutions of higher education that offer certain online distance education programs in the State; and generally relating to institutions of higher education and fully online distance education in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–202.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bill 14 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Board of Pharmacy – Pharmacist Rehabilitation
Committee – Definition**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “pharmacist rehabilitation committee”, for purposes of provisions of law governing pharmacist rehabilitation committees, to provide that it is a group that includes at least one pharmacist instead of a group, the majority of which is comprised of pharmacists; and generally relating to pharmacist rehabilitation committees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–317
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 66)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (HOUSE BILLS) #2

House Bill 46 – Delegates Jones and A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight – Revisions

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 136 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 67)

The Bill was then sent to the Senate.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 68)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:25 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 7:45 P.M. on Monday, February 16, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, February 16, 2015

The House met at 7:46 P.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Mary L. Washington of Baltimore City.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 125 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 70)

The Journal of February 13, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. B. Barnes – illness

Del. Conaway – late – personal

Del. McDonough – personal

Del. O'Donnell – inclement weather

Del. Parrott – inclement weather

Del. Sophocleus – inclement weather

Del. Turner – personal

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House Bill 1099 – Delegate C. Howard

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Aggressive Driving

FOR the purpose of altering the number of certain offenses that a person must commit at the same time or during a single and continuous period of driving that constitutes aggressive driving; increasing the maximum criminal fine for aggressive driving; and generally relating to aggressive driving.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 16–402(a)(25) and 21–905

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–901.2 and 27–101(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 1100 – Delegates W. Miller and B. Wilson

AN ACT concerning

Fiduciary Institutions – Disclosure of Financial Records – Federal Investigation Agencies

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain fiduciary institution is not prohibited from disclosing certain financial records to certain federal investigation agencies under certain circumstances for a certain use; defining a certain term; making a technical correction; and generally relating to the disclosure of financial records by fiduciary institutions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 1–301, 1–303, and 1–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 1–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 1101 – Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Health Program Integrity and Recovery Activities

BY authorizing the Inspector General in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or a designee of the Inspector General to subpoena certain persons or evidence, administer oaths, and take depositions and other testimony for the purpose of

investigating fraud, waste, or abuse of departmental health program funds; authorizing a certain court to take certain actions if a person fails to comply with a certain order or subpoena; authorizing the Department, the Inspector General, or a contractor or an agent acting on behalf of the Department to use extrapolation to determine the rate of error or overpayment under certain circumstances; providing that an audit of a provider may be conducted using extrapolation to determine the rate of error or overpayment for certain claims made by the provider; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or the Inspector General to impose a civil money penalty against a provider for a certain violation; establishing the maximum amount of a civil money penalty; specifying the factors that must be considered in setting the amount of a civil money penalty; requiring the Secretary or the Inspector General to issue a certain order if a civil money penalty is imposed; requiring the Department to provide a certain notice to a provider of the imposition of a civil money penalty; requiring the notice to be served in a certain manner and to include the order and a certain statement; establishing a certain right to appeal from an order imposing a civil money penalty; requiring a provider to pay a civil money penalty within a certain period of time; authorizing the Department to file a civil action to recover a civil money penalty under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to deposit all civil money penalties collected into the General Fund; authorizing the Secretary to require a Medical Assistance provider or a Medical Assistance provider applicant to provide a certain surety bond or other security when applying for enrollment or continued enrollment; requiring the Department to adopt regulations to implement certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and health program integrity and recovery activities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 2–501 and 2–503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 2–504.1, 2–504.2, and 15–105.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 1102 – Delegates Barkley and S. Robinson

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Facilities – Table Games – Distribution of Proceeds

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of the proceeds of table games at a video lottery facility that a video lottery operation licensee retains under certain circumstances; altering the percentage of the proceeds of table games at a video lottery facility paid by the Comptroller to the Education Trust Fund under certain circumstances; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the termination of this Act under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the distribution of proceeds of table games at video lottery facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9–1A–27(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

(As enacted by Section 3 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the Second Special Session of 2012)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 1103 – Delegate Hayes

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Athletic Trainers – Evaluation and Treatment Protocols – Approval

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “practice athletic training” to include instruction to tactical athletes regarding the care and prevention of athletic injuries while engaging in tactical athletic activity; granting, except under certain circumstances, immunity from civil liability to a member of the State Board of Physicians for an act or omission relating to the approval of a certain evaluation and treatment protocol; authorizing an athletic trainer to assume certain duties under an evaluation and treatment protocol on the date of receipt by the Board of a written recommendation of approval from the Athletic Trainer Advisory Committee under certain circumstances; authorizing an athletic trainer, on receipt of a temporary practice letter, to practice a certain specialized task under certain circumstances if an evaluation and treatment protocol is pending approval by the State Board of Physicians; requiring the Board to send a certain notice to a certain primary supervising physician and certain athletic trainer if the Board disapproves a certain protocol or a certain specialized task under a certain protocol; requiring a certain athletic trainer to cease to practice under a certain protocol or to perform a certain specialized task after receiving a certain notice of disapproval; altering certain definitions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the practice of athletic trainers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 14–5D–01 and 14–5D–11

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5D–11.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 1104 – Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Television)

AN ACT concerning

Procurement Exemptions – Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission – Repacking Requirements

FOR the purpose of exempting from certain provisions of the State procurement law procurement by the Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission for procurement contracts needed to implement the repacking requirements of the federal Spectrum Act; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the application of State procurement laws to the Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(a)(1)(vi)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 1105 – Delegates Zucker, Kelly, McIntosh, B. Barnes, Barve, Gaines, Hammen, Haynes, Hixson, Jones, and A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Disabled Individuals – Maryland ABLE Program – Established

FOR the purpose of requiring the College Savings Plans of Maryland Board to establish the Maryland ABLE Program for certain purposes subject to certain provisions; requiring the Board to oversee the administration of the Maryland ABLE Program; altering the membership of the Board; requiring the Board to maintain the Maryland ABLE Program in compliance with certain standards; requiring the Board to adopt certain procedures; requiring the Board to issue certain statements to account

holders at least once each year; authorizing the Board to issue certain requests for proposals; requiring the Board to consider proposals that meet certain criteria; authorizing the Board to require certain fees; establishing certain limitations and requirements for contributions to and administration of the Maryland ABLE Program; establishing participation and distribution requirements; providing that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State is pledged to the payment of debts, contracts, and obligations of the Maryland ABLE Program; providing that certain entities are not liable for certain losses; prohibiting certain money from being considered or commingled with certain money or deposited in the State Treasury; exempting certain entities and accounts from the Insurance Article; providing that the assets and the income of the Maryland ABLE Program are exempt from State and local taxation; prohibiting a person from seizing a certain benefit or asset; requiring certain audits; altering a certain power of attorney form; allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain contributions to an account under the Maryland ABLE Program; allowing certain amounts disallowed under the subtraction modification as a result of a certain limitation to be carried over and subtracted for succeeding taxable years; requiring an addition modification for certain distributions made under certain accounts; making conforming changes; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the College Savings Plans of Maryland and Maryland ABLE Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–1901, 18–1902.1, 18–1904(b) and (c), 18–1905(d)(3), (e), and (f),
18–19A–05, and 18–19B–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–19C–01 through 18–19C–08 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 19C.
Maryland ABLE Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 17–203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–205(a), 10–207(a), and 10–208(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–205(l), 10–207(cc), and 10–208(v)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

House Bill 1106 – Delegate Morhaim

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Electronic Advance Directives – Witness Requirements

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain witness from being required to be physically present at the time a declarant signs or acknowledges the declarant's signature on an electronic advance directive; and generally relating to the witnessing of electronic advance directives.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 5–602(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

MEMORANDUM

To: Hon. Joseph F. Vallario, Jr., Chairman, JUD

From: Michael E. Busch, Speaker

Re: Reassignment of Bill(s)

In accordance with Rule 33, you are hereby requested to return to the Office of the Chief Clerk, the following legislation for reassignment as indicated below:

<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Reassignment</u>
HB 569	APP

Read and ordered journalized.

MEMORANDUM

To: Hon. Peter A. Hammen, Chairman, HGO
From: Michael E. Busch, Speaker
Re: Reassignment of Bill(s)

In accordance with Rule 33, you are hereby requested to return to the Office of the Chief Clerk, the following legislation for reassignment as indicated below:

<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Reassignment</u>
HB 952	ENV

Read and ordered journalized.

WASHINGTON'S DAY ADDRESS

Delegate Bonnie Cullison
Montgomery County

Reflections on the Character of George Washington

You all know that I am a teacher. I know how important it is to provide learning goals in advance. No, there will not be a test at the end, but there will be an assignment—I'll call it your Housework—with a capital "H".

Our goal this evening is to remember the role that George Washington played in the establishment of this democratic (small "d") government and explore some of the character and values that guided him. Ultimately, it is my hope that in these reflections we will be called to re-commit ourselves to the service of the incredible people we represent—not just the people who voted for us, but every person in our district—and every person in our state.

Someone asked me what I could possibly say that was new or different about George Washington—after all he is a pretty well known historical figure. Well, I can honestly say that in preparing for this evening I learned so much more about him—not just what he did, but who he was—and *that* is what I am hoping to give you to take away as well.

Mr. Washington was a farmer, but was first called to service in the British military in the French and Indian War, which ended in British victory. Luckily for us, he was not granted a commission as a British officer in 1758, after the war ended; he became involved in the politics of Virginia. And it was he who actually presented George Mason's resolutions against taxation without representation to the House of Burgesses in 1769. From there, he went to the First Continental Congress and the creation of the world's first democratic government. His values of inclusion and representation drove that work.

Mr. Washington was a wise man and leader, who thought strategically. We know his accomplishments in the Revolutionary War; but consider for a moment his strategy on

December 25, 1776. He was the Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army, and in this young country's war, many people doubted that these colonial citizens would have a chance against the well-oiled machine of the British Army. But he had faith in them, and as their leader he knew that it was his responsibility to build their faith in themselves. That leadership brought about the Continental Army's crossing of the Delaware on Christmas Day, and the defeat of the Hessian mercenaries in Trenton. These were great victories of spirit, if not hugely significant battles. These citizen soldiers remained in the army, renewed their commissions, and went on to fight many more battles—and ultimately defeat the greatest army in the world.

Mr. Washington was a man of great humility. He could have been king. Let me say that again—he could have been king. He was beloved by everyone in the colonies and no matter where he went, there were parades and parties in his honor. They wanted him as their sovereign. But that was certainly not the reason he had led citizens into battle—it was so *they* would have a voice in their own government. His resignation speech, which will be on exhibit tonight in the old Senate Chamber where he delivered it, established once and for all, that military power must be subservient to and in the hands of the people. He put a fine point on it when he bowed to the members of the Continental Congress at the end of his speech.

Mr. Washington was a tenacious man, never allowing his ideals to fall from his grasp. He presided over the Constitutional Convention that drafted and implemented the values and the elements of a democratic representative government. He was committed to a United States government that coexisted with powers and authority of states.

Mr. Washington was a risk-taker. He was unanimously elected to be the first president of a nascent government — somewhat undefined and utterly untested. He set the course in his inaugural address, where he shows his understanding that he was called to serve. And he reminded us of the peaceful democratic process that led to his assuming office:

*“And in the important revolution just accomplished in the system of their United Government, the tranquil deliberations and voluntary consent of so many distinct communities, from which the event has resulted, cannot be compared with the means by which most Governments have been established.”*¹

Mr. Washington was a teacher. After eight years of running and serving this new democratic form of government, he decided not to run for a third term, testing and implementing a peaceful transition of power. When he left the presidency, he gave his insights in his Farewell Address. He remarked on the strengths of each area of the new nation, but warned of those who would try to undermine the precepts of the unification of states under the Constitution. He was concerned about the rise of political parties and how easily one state or region might fall victim to other nations who would seek to break off one area of the country from another. He reminded people that they were stronger when united, as Americans.

Mr. Washington was a visionary. He respected differences, but recognized—and strived for—**unity with diversity**. Perhaps it is easy to forget that the colonies were indeed diverse -- ethnically, economically and religiously. Yet they fought together to achieve democracy—and we know today that the strength of democracy is its ability to balance and give voice to a variety of opinions and needs. We are a quilt, in which each difference woven together maintains integrity, and contributes to the beauty of the whole.

In 1790, Washington told the Jewish community of Newport Rhode Island, that the new government would give *“to Bigotry No Sanction; to Persecution No Assistance.”*² In the fledgling years of our country, religious minorities looked to and praised Washington for defending their right to *“remain responsible only to their Maker for their religion,”*³ which he wrote to Quakers in 1789, even though he disagreed with their pacifism during the Revolutionary War. Mr. Washington shares with us a commitment to the individual voice.

George Washington taught all these things and more: a strategic visionary teacher who worked hard and gave generously of himself to achieve what he believed in. Perhaps most of all, he was a leader who believed in the power of the individual to contribute to the entire community.

And now for your assignment: as you consider your election in this august body, please recall that George Washington had a hand in creating a seat for you. It was his absolute selfless commitment to democratic principle — to creating a government to serve the people that brings us together in this great House. This government -- in which all people are recognized as equal participants and provides for social order in the midst of our diversity -- is built on the solid foundation built by the servant leadership of George Washington. And in that recollection, we too will remain humble in our service to this beautiful mosaic of people and ideas that we call our home, our Maryland.

¹ Washington, G., Inaugural Address to the United States Senate and House of Representatives

² “Letter to the Jews of Newport”, 18 August 1790, Washington Papers, 6:284-85

³ Washington, G., Letter to the Annual Meeting of Quakers, 1789

Delegate Kaiser moved the Delegate’s remarks be journalized.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 132 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 71)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:08 P.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 in memory of former Delegate Frank M. Conaway, Sr.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 17, 2015**

The House met at 10:04 A.M. and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Prayer by Delegate Barbara Robinson of Baltimore City.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 135 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 72)

The Journal of February 16, 2015 was read and approved.

EXCUSES:

Del. Glass – inclement weather

Del. O'Donnell – inclement weather

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Senate Bill 80 – ~~Senator Astle~~ Senators Astle, Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan-Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young ~~Young~~, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Muse, Norman, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Reilly, Serafini, and Zirkin

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain day as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day in recognition of the service and sacrifice of Vietnam veterans; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402 through 7–413, respectively
to be Section 7–403 through 7–414, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Government Operations.

THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS REPORT #2

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably with amendments:

House Bill 76 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Accumulated Contributions of Nonvested Former Members

HB0076/884561/1

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 76

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “fund;” insert “clarifying that certain accumulated contributions shall be paid to certain former members under certain circumstances; requiring certain transferred accumulated contributions to be paid to certain nonvested former members from a certain fund under certain circumstances;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 9, 11, and 12, in each instance, after “member” insert “OR FORMER MEMBER”; and in line 12, after “member’s” insert “OR FORMER MEMBER’S”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 18, after “(D)” insert “(1)”; and after line 23, insert:

“(2) IF ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS OF A FORMER MEMBER ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE ACCUMULATION FUND UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AT THE REQUEST OF THE FORMER MEMBER, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL RETURN THE ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FORMER MEMBER FROM THE ACCUMULATION FUND.”.

The preceding 3 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably with amendments:

House Bill 77 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Judges’ Retirement System – Membership, Accrual of Interest, and Reemployment

HB0077/264567/1

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 77

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in lines 6 and 7, strike “for certain members”; in line 14, after “System;” insert “making certain provisions of law relating to the return of accumulated contributions applicable to the Judges’ Retirement System; providing that an individual who was a member of the Judges’ Retirement System on or before a certain date, is separated from employment for a certain period of time, and returns to employment in a position that requires membership in the Judges’ Retirement System, is subject to certain”

requirements;”; in line 18, strike “and”; in the same line, after “27–406” insert “, and 29–502”; and after line 20, insert:

“BY repealing

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 29–501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, before line 4, insert:

“(B) (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE JUDGES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2012.”;

in line 4, strike “(B)” and substitute “(2)”; strike beginning with the colon in line 5 down through “(2)” in line 8; strike in their entirety lines 11 through 13, inclusive; in line 14, strike “(2)” and substitute “(A)”; and in lines 15, 17, 19, and 20, strike “(I)”, “(II)”, “(III)”, and “(IV)”, respectively, and substitute “(1)”, “(2)”, “(3)”, and “(4)”, respectively.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, after line 19, insert:

“[29–501.

This subtitle does not apply to the Judges’ Retirement System.]

[29–502.] 29–501.

The Board of Trustees shall pay a member or former member the amount of the member’s or former member’s accumulated contributions if:

(1) the member or former member separated from employment for a reason other than death or retirement; and

(2) the member or former member requests the payment.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, before line 20, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That an individual who was a member of the Judges’ Retirement System on or before June 30, 2012, is separated from employment for more than 4 years, and returns to employment in a position that requires membership in the Judges’ Retirement System, is subject to the same requirements to which an individual is subject who was a member of the Judges’ Retirement System on or before June 30, 2012.”;

and in line 20, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.

The preceding 4 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably:

House Bill 78 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Noncontributory Pension Benefit –
Definition**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate McIntosh, Chair, for the Committee on Appropriations reported favorably:

House Bill 217 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Credit for Unused Sick Leave –
Clarification**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION REPORT #1

Delegate Barve, Chair, for the Committee on Environment and Transportation reported favorably with amendments:

House Bill 14 – Delegate O’Donnell

SECOND PRINTING

AN ACT concerning

Hunting Licenses – Exemption for Retired Members of the Armed Forces

HB0014/880514/1

BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 14
(First Reading File Bill – Second Printing)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Delegate O’Donnell” and substitute “Delegates O’Donnell and S. Howard”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, strike beginning with “DURING” in line 22 down through “TIME” in line 23 and substitute “THAT INCLUDES:

A. A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME THAT THE PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO HUNT ON THE PROPERTY; AND

B. THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE PERSON TO THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate Barve, Chair, for the Committee on Environment and Transportation reported favorably:

House Bill 106 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law – Adoption of
Local Ordinance
MC 11-15**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY REPORT #1

Delegate Vallario, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary reported favorably:

**House Bill 48 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial
Conference)**

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Collection of Appearance Fees

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate Vallario, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary reported favorably:

**House Bill 49 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial
Conference)**

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate Vallario, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary reported favorably:

**House Bill 50 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial
Conference)**

AN ACT concerning

Active Armed Forces Member – Exemption From Payment of Fees for Certain Court Records

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Delegate Vallario, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary reported favorably with amendments:

House Bill 53 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Manufactured Homes – Recording of Affidavits of Affixation and Severance – Fees

HB0053/882317/1

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 53
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, strike “clarifying that certain fees” and substitute “providing”; in the same line, after “charge” insert “a reasonable fee not exceeding a certain amount set by the State Court Administrator”; and in line 6, strike “shall be set by the State Court Administrator”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1 in line 21, and on page 2 in line 6, in each instance, after “fee” insert “**NOT EXCEEDING \$60**”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT**MEMORANDUM**

To: Hon. Dereck E. Davis, Chairman, ECM
Hon. Sheila Hixson, Chairman, W&M
From: Michael E. Busch, Speaker
Re: Reassignment of Bill(s)

In accordance with Rule 33, you are hereby requested to return to the Office of the Chief Clerk, the following legislation for reassignment as indicated below:

<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Reassignment</u>
HB 941	ECM and APP

Read and ordered journalized.

CASPER R. TAYLOR, JR. FOUNDER'S AWARD

Awarded to: Delegate Tawanna Gaines of Prince George's County

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 73)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:27 A.M. on motion of Delegate Kaiser the House adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, February 18, 2015.