



Baltimore Metropolitan Council

**TRANSPORTATION, AIR QUALITY, AND
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT-RELATED
LEGISLATION
INTRODUCED IN THE 2009 SESSION
OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**Weekly Report - Legislation Introduced
as of
April 15, 2009**

**This session of the Maryland General Assembly began on
January 14, 2009 and will adjourn on April 13, 2009**

**CAUTION: Legislative hearing dates and times listed in this report can
change. Before traveling to Annapolis to attend a hearing, please verify dates
and times with the Department of Legislative Services at
1-410-946-5400 (Baltimore), 1-301-970-5400 (Washington),
or 1-800-492-7122 (Other areas).**

**The filing deadline for bills and resolutions is February 6 for the Senate, and
February 13 for the House. March 9 is the final deadline in both chambers for
introduction of legislation without rules suspension.**

LEGISLATION INTRODUCED IN THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2009 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

For the last sixteen years, the Baltimore Metropolitan Council has provided timely reports to the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, public agencies, and interested community groups on the status of legislation introduced in the Maryland General Assembly. Since 1993, reports have been provided on transportation and air quality-related legislation. In 1997, these reports were expanded to include information on community development-related legislation.

The Maryland General Assembly meets annually in Annapolis for a 90-day session. The 2009 session began on January 14 and will adjourn on April 13. There are 47 Senators and 141 Delegates in the General Assembly.

The legislation in this report is organized into Senate and House of Delegates bills. This report also includes joint resolutions introduced in both chambers. The following categories of information are provided for each bill: Bill Number/Title, Sponsor/Status, Bill Hearing Date, and Purpose. Information about prior legislative history and final disposition of a bill will be included as necessary. A special significance section may also be added for certain bills that could have a substantial effect on regional interests. Most of the information in this report is from the Maryland General Assembly, Department of Legislative Services.

This legislative report is for information purposes only.

For further information on specific bills, fiscal notes, and related information, contact Maryland General Assembly, Department of Legislative Services: Baltimore region phone 1-410-946-5400; Rest of Maryland phone 1-301-970-5400; Outside Maryland phone 1-800-492-7122.

For more detailed information and immediate tracking of specific bills, please visit <http://mlis.state.md.us>. See <http://mlis.state.md.us/2009RS/synopsis/synindx.htm> for a complete listing of all bills filed during the 2009 session based on the date of filing.

NOTES FOR WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

All additions to and changes from the previous weekly legislative report, including hearing dates, are highlighted in **RED** in the detailed description of bills that have been introduced.

Final legislative disposition status information in the summaries below are shown in **red bold underlined** type and struck through with a single line in the index. Bills signed by the Governor are shown in **green bold underlined** type.

CATEGORIES OF LEGISLATION INTRODUCED IN THE 2009 SESSION OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

TOTAL BILL COUNT:

House Bills:	1576
House Joint Resolutions:	9
Senate Bills:	1071
Senate Joint Resolutions:	12
Bills tracked by BMC:	419

Bicycle and Pedestrian-Related

~~SB0015 School Construction Pedestrian and Bicycle Trail Enhancements Funding~~
~~SB0428 Vehicle Laws Bicycles, EPAMDS, and Motor Scooters Rules of the Road~~

~~HB0496 Vehicle Laws Bicycles, EPAMDS, and Motor Scooters Rules of the Road~~
~~HB1197 Vehicle Laws Bicycles Rules of the Road~~

Local Government, Community Development and "Smart Growth"- Related

~~SB0011 Anne Arundel County Tourism and Economic Development Promotion Act of 2009~~
~~SB0013 Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2006, 2007 and 2008 – Anne Arundel County – Annapolis Underground Wiring~~
~~SB0030 Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Bill of 2008 – Harford County – Churchville Library Green Building and Science Center~~
~~SB0039 Municipal Corporations Tax Increment Financing Application of Bond Proceeds~~
SB0146 Municipal Corporations and Taxing Districts Financial Audits
~~SB0163 Program Open Space Use of Funds Indoor or Outdoor Recreational Facilities~~
~~SB0223 Tax – Property – Assessment and Valuation – Forest Conservation and Management Agreement~~
~~SB0273 Smart, Green, and Growing Local Government Planning Visions~~
~~SB0350 Municipal Corporations Annexations Small Parcels~~
~~SB0362 Agricultural Land Preservation Easements Residential Uses~~
~~SB0379 Task Force to study the County and Municipal Revenue Structure~~
~~SB0384 Program Open Space Impervious Surface Projects Prohibition~~
~~SB0588 Department of Planning Advisory Role to Municipal and County Governments~~
SB0617 Local Government Deposits of Unexpended or Surplus Money
~~SB0658 Political Subdivisions – Government Imposed Restrictions on Income Producing Real Property – Fiscal Impact Study~~
~~SB0788 Enterprise Zones – County Tax Credits~~
~~SB0878 Smart Growth – Visions and Performance Standards~~
~~SB0925 Charter and Code Home Rule Counties County Employees Furloughs~~
~~SB0927 Charter and Code Home Rule Counties Furlough of County Employees Public Safety Officers~~
~~SB0931 Community Development Administration Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program Capital Reserve Funds~~
~~SB0932 Creation of a State Debt Community Development Administration Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program~~
~~SB1005 Property Tax Credit – Individuals at Least 65 Years Old~~
~~SB1068 Workgroup to Study the Future Conservation of the State's Open Space and Farmland~~

~~HB0019 Municipal Corporations and Taxing Districts Financial Audits~~
~~HB0033 Program Open Space Municipal Corporations Development Project Funds~~

~~HB0143~~ — Baltimore City — Newly Constructed Dwelling Property Tax Credit — Modification and Reauthorization
~~HB0194~~ — Land Use — Development of Rights and Responsibilities Agreements
~~HB0203~~ — Forest Conservation Fund — Authorized Uses — Street Side Shrub
~~HB0220~~ — Municipal Corporations — Annexations — Small Parcels
~~HB0294~~ — Smart, Green, and Growing — Local Government Planning — Planning Visions
~~HB0295~~ — Smart, Green, and Growing — Annual Report — Smart Growth Measures and Indicators and Implementation of Planning Visions
~~HB0297~~ — Smart, Green, and Growing — Smart and Sustainable Growth Act of 2009.
~~HB0306~~ — Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children
~~HB0484~~ — Task Force to Study the County and Municipal Revenue Structure
~~HB0614~~ — Enterprise Zones — County Tax Credits
~~HB0640~~ — Real Property — Residential Real Property in Foreclosure — Notice to Local Governments
~~HB0790~~ — County and Municipal Corporation Authority — Business Improvement Districts
~~HB0839~~ — Program Open Space — Baltimore City — Authorized Use of Funds
~~HB0855~~ — State Government — Open Meetings Act — Definition of a Public Body
~~HB0911~~ — Counties — Purchase of Development Rights — Carroll County
~~HB0916~~ — Political Subdivisions — Government Imposed Restrictions on income Producing Real Property — Fiscal Impact Study
~~HB0943~~ — Local Government — Collective Bargaining Referendum Local Ordinance Prohibition
~~HB0965~~ — Department of Planning — Advisory Role to Municipal and County Governments
~~HB0967~~ — Local Correctional Facilities — New Construction — Residential Programs for Substance Abuse Treatment
~~HB1116~~ — Smart Growth — Visions and Performance Standards
~~HB1191~~ — Local Government — Deposits of Unexpended or Surplus Money
~~HB1194~~ — Open Meetings Act — Expansion of Definition of Public Body
~~HB1331~~ — Community Development Administration — Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program — Capital Reserve Funds
~~HB1338~~ — Charter and Code Home Rule Counties — Furlough of County Employees — Public Safety Officers
~~HB1346~~ — State Government — Meeting of Public Body — Limitation on Closed Sessions
~~HB1416~~ — Small Business Pollution Compliance Fund — Repeal
~~HB1418~~ — Agricultural Land Preservation — Condemnation of Land Under Easement

Environmental – Air Quality, Energy, Water Quality

~~SB0004~~ — Environment — Permitting Process — Environmental Justice Review
~~SB0014~~ — Maryland Environmental Service — Energy Generation Projects
~~SB0026~~ — Landfills — Disposal of Motor Vehicle Oil Filters
~~SB0042~~ — Natural Resources — Baystat Subcabinet — Membership
~~SB0047~~ — Environment — Permit Applications — Notice Requirements
~~SB0056~~ — Gas Companies & Electric Companies — Annual Reports
~~SB0069~~ — Vehicle Laws — Air Conditioning Equipment Specifications and Requirements
~~SB0073~~ — Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation — Sale of Land Preservation Easements — Confidentiality of Records
~~SB0077~~ — Department of Agriculture — Organic Certification Program — Fees
~~SB0089~~ — Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation — Imposition of Civil Penalties Authorization
~~SB0090~~ — Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation — Valuation of Terminated Easements
~~SB0091~~ — Lawn & Turf Grass Seed — Testing and Labeling Requirements
~~SB0093~~ — Motor Fuel Taxes — Biodiesel Fuel User License
~~SB0120~~ — Environment — Permit Process — Modifications
~~SB0125~~ — Natural Resources — Prohibition on Dredging Buried Oyster Shells on Man O War Shoals
~~SB0164~~ — Natural Resources — Recreational Fishing Licenses — Penalties
~~SB0168~~ — Department of Natural Resources — Shellfish and Crabs — Public Places
~~SB0169~~ — Department of Natural Resources — Antiquated Fish and Fisheries Law — Repeal
~~SB0175~~ — Department of Natural Resources — Shell Dredging — Permit Application
~~SB0199~~ — Biodiesel Requirements for the State Vehicle Fleet
~~SB0212~~ — Environment — Green Building Council
~~SB0220~~ — State Government — Prohibition on Use of State Funds — Ethanol Derived from Corn
~~SB0240~~ — Natural Resources — Expanded Use of Waterway Improvement Fund
~~SB0278~~ — Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Act of 2009
~~SB0280~~ — Smart, Green, and Growing — Smart and Sustainable Act of 2009
~~SB0291~~ — Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation — Easement Properties — Natural Gas Drilling
~~SB0358~~ — Agriculture — Agricultural Preservation Easements — Renewable Energy Generation
~~SB0361~~ — Environment — Reducing Lead Risk in Housing — Lead Paint Dust Testing
~~SB0399~~ — Forest Conservation Fund Authorized Uses — Street Side Shrub Planting
~~SB0408~~ — Environment — Water Pollution Control — Incentives and Penalties
~~SB0432~~ — Environment — Sewage Sludge Utilization — Zoning and Land Use Requirements
~~SB0465~~ — Environment — Floating Vessel Platforms
~~SB0473~~ — Environment — Recycling — Public School Plans
~~SB0476~~ — Transportation — Chesapeake Bay Bridge Crossing — Environmental Impact Study for a Third Span
~~SB0509~~ — Environment — Noise Control Ordinances — Political Subdivisions
~~SB0529~~ — Environment — Environmental Justice Review — Public Service Companies

~~SB0539 Driver Relief Act of 2009~~
~~SB0549 Sustainable Forestry Act of 2009~~
~~SB0553 Chesapeake Bay Phosphorous Reduction Act of 2009~~
~~SB0554 Chesapeake Bay Nitrogen Reduction Act of 2009~~
~~SB0555 Biomass and Biofuels – In-State Production Incentives~~
~~SB0581 Natural Resources – Roadside Trees – Protection and Enforcement~~
~~SB0583 Public Utility Companies – Generating Stations - Wind~~
~~SB0585 Public Utility Companies – Wind Generating Stations~~
~~SB0606 Environment – Privately Licensed Sanitarians – Soil Percolation Tests~~
~~SB0623 Agriculture – Nutrient Management Plans – Confidentiality~~
~~SB0625 Maryland Building Performance Standards – Energy Conservation and Efficiency~~
~~SB0666 Natural Resources – No Net Loss of Forest Policy – Forest Conservation Act~~
~~SB0668 Vehicle Laws – Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches – Prohibited Acts~~
~~SB0672 Environment – Stormwater Management – Stormwater User Charge~~
~~SB0674 Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation – Easements – Inspection Requirements~~
~~SB0678 Task Force To Study Alternative Energy Generation in Maryland~~
~~SB0686 High Performance Buildings Act – Applicable to Community College Projects~~
~~SB0763 Indoor Air Quality – Separation of Assessment and Remediation Functions~~
~~SB0765 Natural Resources Police – Minimum Staffing~~
~~SB0771 Public Utility Companies – Wind Turbines – Performance Standing~~
~~SB0773 Wind – Powered Electric Generation Facilities – Decommissioning and Restoration – Surcharge, Bond or other Security, and Fund~~

~~SB0810 Natural Resources – Oyster Shell Purchase Program – Fair Market Value~~
~~SB0828 Environment – Independent Audit – Use of State Money by Nongovernmental Organizations~~
~~SB0841 Environment – Landfills – Methane Testing~~
~~SB0856 Maryland Energy Administration – Green Jobs Workforce Training Program~~
~~SB0917 Agriculture – Fertilizers and Pesticides – Release Reporting~~
~~SB0922 Bay Restoration Fund – Septic Systems – Nitrogen Removal Projects~~
~~SB0955 Public Utility Companies – Energy Efficiency, Conservation, and Demand Response Programs – Selection of HVAC Service Providers~~

~~SB0967 Environment – Bay Restoration Fund – Authorized Uses~~
~~SB0972 Environment – On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems – Requirements~~
~~SB0979 Wind Energy – Tax Incentives~~
~~SB0981 Public Service Companies – Net Energy Metering~~
~~SB1009 Environment – Incinerator Permits – Limitation on Issuance Near National Parks~~
~~SB1021 Environment – Dishwashing Detergent Containing Phosphorus - Penalties~~

~~HB0005 State Government – Operation of State Building Cooling Systems~~
~~HB0010 Oil Sands Responsibility Act~~
~~HB0014 Environment – Brominated Flame Retardents-Decabrominated diphenyl ether-Prohibition~~
~~HB0034 Environment – Impervious Surface – Statewide Database~~
~~HB0038 Maryland Bottled Gas Buying Group~~
~~HB0049 Agriculture – Specialty Fertilizers – “No Phosphate Fertilizer”~~
~~HB0090 Department of the Environment – Bay Restoration Fund and Bay Restoration Fee~~
~~HB0103 Department of Natural Resources – Shell Dredging – Permit Application~~
~~HB0128 Environment – Disposal of Coal Combustion Byproducts – Zoning and Land Use Requirements~~
~~HB0135 Environment – Sewage Sludge Utilization – Zoning and Land Use Requirements~~
~~HB0136 Specialty Fertilizer – Surcharge~~
~~HB0154 Environment – Green Building Council~~
~~HB0176 Bay Restoration Act of 2009~~
~~HB0221 Bay Restoration Fund – Disbursement of Funds~~
~~HB0226 State Capital Projects – High Performance Buildings – Green Globe Rating~~
~~HB0236 Environment – Reducing Lead Risk in Housing – Lead Paint Dust Testing~~
~~HB0259 Environmental Health Monitoring and Testing – Reimbursements of Costs~~
~~HB0268 Welfare to Work – Job Skills Enhancement Program – Green Jobs~~
~~HB0290 Agriculture – Agricultural Preservation Easements – Renewable Energy Generation~~
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~~HB0315 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Act of 2009~~
~~HB0333 Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation – Easement Properties – Natural Gas Drilling~~
~~HB0346 Bay Restoration Fund – Nitrogen – Removing Septic Systems~~
~~HB0395 Environment – Ammonia Emissions from Animal Waste on Poultry Farms – Reporting~~
~~HB0408 Automotive Dismantlers, Recyclers, and Scrap Processors – Notice of Vehicle Acquisition~~
~~HB0420 Environment – Limitation of Actions – Political Subdivisions~~
~~HB0480 Public Utility Tree Management Act of 2009~~
~~HB0447 Landfills – Disposal of Motor Vehicle Oil Filters~~
~~HB0449 Maryland Organic Transition Investment Pilot Program (MO – TIPP)~~
~~HB0491 Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation – Easements – Inspection Requirements~~
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~~HB0573 Environment – Floating Vessel Platforms~~
~~HB0605 Public Utility Companies – Generating Stations – Wind~~
~~HB0609 Chesapeake Bay Phosphorous Reduction Act of 2009~~
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~~HB0700 Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Renewable Energy Credits – Solar Hot Water Systems~~
~~HB0707 Maryland Energy Conservation Building Standards Improvement Act~~
~~HB0729 Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area – Prospective Land Purchases – Inspections~~
~~HB0749 Wind Powered Electric Generating Facilities Decommissioning and Restoration – Surcharge, Bond or Other Security and Fund~~
~~HB0750 Public Utility Companies – Wind Turbines Performance Standards~~
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~~HB0765 Natural Resources – Land Available for Tree Planting Database~~
~~HB0771 Sustainable Forestry Act of 2009~~
~~HB0800 Natural Resources – Roadside Trees – Protection and Enforcement~~
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~~HB0804 Environment – Coal Combustion by – Product Disposal Facilities~~
~~HB0814 Maryland Energy Administration – Green Jobs Workforce Training Program~~
~~HB0816 Marilyn J. Praisner Safe and Earth Friendly Roadway Act~~
~~HB0862 Natural Resources – Oyster Harvest – Closure of State Waters~~
~~HB0876 Environment – Healthy Homes Initiatives~~
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~~HB0929 Agriculture – Fertilizers and pesticides – Release Reporting~~
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~~HB1053 Community Environmental Protection Act of 2009~~
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~~HB1058 Environment – Sewage Sludge Utilization Permits – Local Notice~~
~~HB1060 Residential Solar Energy Act of 2009~~
~~HB1063 Environment – Noise Control Ordinances – Political Subdivisions~~
~~HB1078 Environment – Permit Applications – Notice Requirements~~
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~~HB1105 Private Wastewater Treatment Act of 2009~~
~~HB1106 Bay Restoration Fund – Septic Systems – Nitrogen Removal Projects~~
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~~HB1171 Alternative Energy Tax Incentive Act of 2009~~
~~HB1187 Environment – Dishwashing Detergent Containing Phosphorus – Penalties~~
~~HB1210 Chesapeake Bay Restoration Consumer Retail Choice Act of 2009~~
~~HB1236 Maryland Energy Administration – Clean Energy Loan Payment Program~~
~~HB1238 Maryland Energy Administration – Standards for Televisions~~
~~HB1248 Agriculture – Nutrient Management Plans – Confidentiality~~
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~~HB1306 Recycling – Restaurants and Bars – Aluminum, Glass, and Plastic Bottles~~
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~~HB1564 Program Open Space – Use of Funds – Indoor or Outdoor Recreational Facilities~~
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Elderly and Individuals With Disabilities

~~SB0005 Assisted Housing – Protected Actions – Extended Leases for Seniors~~
~~SB0033 Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2008 – Baltimore County – Weinberg Village V Senior Apartment Building~~
~~SB0221 Health Care Facilities – Disclosures – Use of Life Sustaining Procedures~~

~~HB0068 Income Tax Exemption Amounts – Blind and Elderly Individuals~~
~~HB0843 Continuing Care Retirement Communities – Subscriber Complaints and Investigations~~
~~HB0910 Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund – Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs - Seniors~~
~~HB1107 Health – Task Force on Alzheimer’s disease~~

Highway

- HB0130 State Highway Administration – Unauthorized Signs on Highway Rights – of – Way
HB1525 State Highway Administration – Disposition of Real Property Not Needed for Public Purpose

Public Transportation

- SB0060 ~~Maryland Transit Administration – Mass Transit Service Alterations – Public Service Commission and People's Council Reporting Requirements.~~
SB0506 ~~Maryland Transit Administration – Public Hearings~~
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Telecommuting and Travel Substitution

- HB1537 ~~Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Establishing Teleworking Centers on the Eastern Shore for Chesapeake Bay Bridge Commuters.~~

Traffic Operations, Public Safety and Transportation Safety

- SB0003 ~~Public Safety – County or Municipal Corporation Funded Ambulance Service – Physician's Office Adjacent to Hospital~~
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SB0098 ~~Motor Vehicles – Use of Text Messaging Device While Driving – Prohibition~~
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SB0208 ~~Vehicle Laws – Drivers' Licenses and Identification Cards – Lawful Presence in United States~~
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SB0513 ~~Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission – Appointment of District of Columbia Member~~
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~~SB0685 Vehicle Laws Floeing or Eluding Police Penalties and Forfeiture~~
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~~SB0701 Vehicle Laws Stolen Registration Plates, Registration Card, or Validation Tabs Waiver of Fee or Replacement~~
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~~SB0939 Vehicle Laws Individuals with Disabilities Width of Parking Spaces~~
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~~HB0650~~ Vehicle Laws – Motor Scooters – Licensing, Titling, Registration and Insurance
~~HB0656~~ State Highway Administration – Emergency Snow Removal – Use of Farm Trucks
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~~HB0786~~ Maryland Transportation Authority – Chesapeake Bay Bridge - Tolls
~~HB0817~~ Vehicle Laws – All Terrain Vehicles – Safety Standards and Training
~~HB0853~~ Drunk and Drugged Driving – Repeat Offenders – Special Registration Plates
~~HB0875~~ Drunk and Drugged Driving – Refusal to Take a Blood or Breath Test – Prohibition
~~HB0881~~ Chesapeake Bay Bridge – Inspection by Independent Entity Required
~~HB0888~~ Transportation – Chesapeake Bay Bridge Crossing – Environmental Impact Study For a Third Span
~~HB0890~~ Vehicle Laws – Failure to Yield to Emergency Vehicle – Penalty
~~HB0934~~ Vehicle Laws – School Buses – Prohibition on Permitting Sitting on Floor or Standing
~~HB0978~~ Task Force to Study Motor Vehicle Towing Practices – Extension
~~HB0989~~ Vehicle Laws – Emergency and Police Vehicle and Personnel Protection Act
~~HB1004~~ Transportation – Parking Facilities – Towing Prohibited Unless Parking Payment Options Available
~~HB1028~~ Motor Vehicles – Mandatory Seat Belt Use – Warning for Improper Use
~~HB1029~~ Motor Vehicle Administration – New Felony Summary – Public Notice
~~HB1039~~ Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers – Electronic Reporting
~~HB1079~~ Vehicle Laws – Mandatory Seat Belt Use – Enforcement
~~HB1167~~ Vehicle Laws – Violations by Drivers Under the Age of 18 years – Driver's License Suspensions
~~HB1169~~ All Terrain Vehicles – Protective Equipment
~~HB1176~~ Transportation – Public – Private Partnerships – Notice to General Assembly
~~HB1217~~ Vehicle Laws – Mandatory Use of Ignition Interlock System
~~HB1226~~ Vehicle Laws – Lawful Presence – Identification Card, Moped Operator's Permit, or Driver's License
~~HB1303~~ Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program – Transfer of Ownership of Vehicle
~~HB1335~~ Vehicle Laws – Driving While License Refused, Suspended, Cancelled or Revoked - Penalty
~~HB1350~~ Rules of the Road – Duty to Remain at the Scene of an Accident – Penalties
~~HB1412~~ Vehicle Laws – Motor Vehicle Administration Point System
~~HB1441~~ Victim's Rights – Fatal Vehicular Accident – Suspension of License
~~HB1492~~ Vehicle Laws – Failure to Remain at the Scene of an Accident – Penalties
~~HB1515~~ Business Regulation – Secondhand Goods Dealers – Licensing as Dealers Required
~~HB1571~~ Motor Vehicles – Medium Speed Vehicles – Standards and Requirements

Transportation Funding

~~SB0475~~ Chesapeake Bay Bridge – Independent Inspection Required Before Toll, Fee, or Penalty Increase
~~SB0479~~ Maryland Transportation Authority – Bonding Authority
~~SB0723~~ Commission on Commuter Rail Governance and Funding
~~SB0724~~ Transportation Projects – Reimbursement to Owners of Real Property for Loss of Rental Income
~~SB0753~~ Transportation – Intercounty Connector – Elimination of Funding
~~SB0853~~ Maryland Transportation Infrastructure Funding Task Force
~~SB0890~~ Maryland Community Enhancement Transit-Oriented Development Transportation Fund
~~SB0894~~ Transportation Trust Fund Protection Act
~~SB0915~~ Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority – Finance and Governance
~~SB1011~~ Department of Transportation – Consolidated Transportation Bonds – Issuance Procedures
~~SB1066~~ Public – Private Partnerships – Authorization and Oversight

~~HB0027~~ Transportation – Intercounty Connector – Elimination of Funding
~~HB0139~~ Transportation Trust Fund – Dedicated Highways
~~HB0140~~ Transportation Trust Fund Protection Act
~~HB0492~~ Commission on Commuter Rail Governance and Funding
~~HB0882~~ Chesapeake Bay Bridge – Independent Inspection Required Before Toll, Fee, or Penalty Increase
~~HB0922~~ Maryland Transportation Authority – Fixing or Revising Tolls and Fees – Notice and Public Comment
~~HB0947~~ Transportation – Highway User Revenues – Highway Maintenance MC 903-09
~~HB0949~~ Maryland Transportation Authority – Bonding Authority
~~HB1151~~ Transportation – Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund – Transport by Privately Owned Helicopter
~~HB1190~~ Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact – Governance and Finance
~~HB1332~~ Maryland Transportation Authority – Toll Rate Increases
~~HB1357~~ Maryland Transportation Authority Police Officers – Collective Bargaining
~~HB1425~~ Department of Transportation Consolidated Transportation Bonds – Issuance Procedures
~~HB1572~~ Public-Private Partnerships – Authorization and Oversight

2009 SENATE BILLS

SB0003 - PUBLIC SAFETY – COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION FUNDED AMBULANCE SERVICE – PHYSICIAN’S OFFICE ADJACENT TO HOSPITAL

Sponsor/Status: Senator Astle. Assigned to: Education, Health and Environmental Affairs

6/25 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs.

Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

2/17 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs.

Purpose: Prohibiting an emergency medical service funded by a county or municipal corporation from providing ambulance service to transport a patient from a physician’s office to a hospital located immediately adjacent to or within a specified distance of the physician’s office. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PS, § 7-404 - added

SB0004 - ENVIRONMENT – PERMITTING PROCESS – ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE REVIEW

Sponsor/Status: Senator Harrington. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

7/1 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs.

Hearing 2/3 at 1:45 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities and the Department of Planning, to develop maps that identify environmentally stressed communities in the State; requiring an Environmental Justice Review as a condition of issuing or renewing specified permits; requiring the owner of a liquefied natural gas facility to conduct a Review and submit information to the Department of the Environment under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 1-701 through 1-704 and PUC, § 11-101.1 - added and EN, § 1-705 - amended

SB0005 - ASSISTED HOUSING – PROTECTED ACTIONS – EXTENDED LEASES FOR SENIORS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Harrington. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

7/1 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

- 1/21 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/16 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/17 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Brochin) Adopted
- 3/18 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 3/19 (Senator Kramer) Adopted
- 3/19 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted (22-20)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/23 Third Reading Failed (23-24)

Purpose: Repealing a specified exception to the prohibition on an owner of an assisted project from taking a protected action without offering an extended lease to a designated household that includes an individual who is at least 62 years old; and increasing from 3 to 5 the number of years for which the owner of an assisted project is required to offer an extended lease to a designated household that includes an individual who is at least 62 years old when taking a protected action.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HS, § 7-214 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB0011 – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROMOTION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

- 7/22 Pre-filed
- 1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 1/19 Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2/12 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 2/13 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 2/17 Third Reading Passed (45-1)

House Action

- 2/18 First Reading Ways and Means
- 3/25 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/13 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
- 4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
Motion Rules Suspended two readings same day (Delegate Barve) Adopted (115-14)
Third Reading Passed with Amendments (106-27)**

Purpose: Requiring Anne Arundel County to impose a hotel tax at a rate of 7%; requiring the county to distribute a specified amount of revenue from the hotel tax to specified organizations and the county's general fund; making a technical correction; and repealing an obsolete provision. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
Art. 24, § 9-602 - amended

SB0013 – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2006, 2008, AND 2008 – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ANNAPOLIS UNDERGROUND WIRING.

Sponsor/Status: Senator Astle. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation. .
8/26 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2006, 2007, and 2008 to require that the construction and equipping of underground utilities be located on Cornhill Street, Fleet Street, and Pinkney Street in the City of Annapolis; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
Ch. 46 of 2006, § 1(3) Item ZA00(T), Ch. 488 of 2007, § 1(3) Item ZA00(P), and Ch.336 of 2008, § 1(3) Item ZA00(S) - amended

SB0014 – MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE – ENERGY GENERATION PROJECTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Astle. Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

8/27 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Finance & Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/28 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.
3/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/12 Third Reading Passed (45-2)

House Action

3/12 First Reading Economic Matters & Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/3 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (135-1)
4/8 House Refuses to Recede
Conference Committee Appointed ...
Delegates Rudolph, Haddaway, and Malone

4/10 Conference Committee Report Adopted
Third Reading Passed (114-4)

Purpose: Authorizing the Maryland Environmental Service to engage in energy projects and services; authorizing counties and municipalities to enter into agreements with the Service without regard to specified limitations or provisions regulating the procurement or awarding of public contracts; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NR, Various Sections - amended

**SB0015 – SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE TRAIL
ENHANCEMENTS – FUNDING**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Rosapepe. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

9/2 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
1/19 Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m.

3/26 Unfavorable Report by Budget and Taxation

Purpose: Requiring the Board of Public Works to include pedestrian and bicycle trail enhancements as an approved public school construction or capital improvement cost; requiring the Board to adopt specified regulations; limiting the aggregate amount the Board may approve each fiscal year for specified pedestrian and bicycle trail enhancements; authorizing local governments to use specified highway user revenues for sidewalk construction; specifying State policy regarding sidewalks, footpaths, and bicycle trails; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
ED, §§ 5-205(a) and 5-301(b) and TR, § 8-409 - amended

**SB0018 - VEHICLE LAWS – MOTOR SCOOTERS – PROHIBITED ROADS FOR
OPERATION**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Klausmeier. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings.

9/17 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
1/16 Hearing 1/27 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Altering regulations relating to the operation of motor scooters on roadways so that a person may not operate a motor scooter on a roadway where the posted maximum speed limit is more than 30 miles an hour and may not operate a motor scooter at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-1205.1 - amended

SB0026 - LANDFILLS – DISPOSAL OF MOTOR VEHICLE OIL FILTERS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Peters. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

10/14 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs.

Hearing 2/3 at 1:45 p.m.

**3/9 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Withdrawn**

Purpose: Prohibiting the disposal of oil filters in landfills; authorizing the Department of the Environment to grant a waiver of this prohibition on the basis of economic hardship; and providing for a delayed effective date of October 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2010

EN, § 9-227.1 - added

SB0030 - MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2008 – HARFORD COUNTY – CHURCHVILLE LIBRARY GREEN BUILDING AND SCIENCE CENTER

Sponsor/Status: Senator Glassman. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

10/22 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation

1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2008 to alter the name of the grantee of a specified grant for the Churchville Library Green Building and Science Center in Harford County.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

Chapter 336 of the Acts of 2008, § 1(3) Item (ZA01) (BA) - amended

SB0032 - JUNK DEALERS AND SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS – REQUIRED RECORDS

Sponsor/Status: Senators DeGrange and Astle. Assigned to: Finance.

10/24 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Finance

1/28 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.

3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance

3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Committee Amendment (Finance) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/28 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/2 Re-referred Economic Matters
- 4/6 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (134-2)
- 4/10 House Refuses to Recede
Conference Committee Appointed ...
Delegates Vaughn, King, and Manno

Purpose: Altering the requirements for records that junk dealers and scrap metal processors must keep for each purchase or sale of specified junk or scrap metal in the State; providing for the applicability of the record-keeping requirements; providing for the form and contents of the records; requiring that specified records be kept in electronic form; requiring junk dealers and scrap metal processors to hold specified items for a specified period of time; establishing penalties; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

BR, §§ 12-102(a), 17-1001(e), 17-1010, and 17-1011 - amended and § 17-1001(g) - added

SB0033 - MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2008 – BALTIMORE COUNTY – WEINBERG VILLAGE V SENIOR APARTMENT BUILDING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Zirkin. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

- 10/29 Pre-filed
- 1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2008 to expand the authorized uses of a specified grant to the Board of Directors of Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc. for the Weinberg Village V Senior Apartment Building.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

Chapter 336 of the Acts of 2008, § 1(3) Item (ZA01)(AJ) - amended

SB0034 - HARFORD COUNTY – WAR VETERANS’ ORGANIZATIONS – SLOT MACHINES

Sponsor/Status: Harford County Senators. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

- 10/29 Pre-filed
- 1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 1/21 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing war veterans' organizations in Harford County to own and operate not more than five slot machines for specified purposes and under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
CR, § 12-304 - amended

SB0038 - VEHICLE LAWS – REDUCTION OF SPEED LIMITS BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES – ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC INVESTIGATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Colburn. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings.

11/6 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
1/16 Hearing 1/27 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Authorizing a county, municipality, or other public body that has the authority to enact laws and adopt local police regulations relating to traffic to decrease a maximum speed limit in a business district or a residential district to not less than 25 miles an hour without conducting an engineering and traffic investigation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-803(a) - amended

SB0039 - MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING – APPLICATION OF BOND PROCEEDS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Harrington. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

11/7 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
1/19 Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m.
2/25 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
2/26 Favorable with Amendment Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/2 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

3/3 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
4/9 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/4 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Purpose: Authorizing a municipal corporation to apply the proceeds from the issuance of specified bonds to the installation of infrastructure improvements for the purpose of encouraging redevelopment in specified areas.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EC, § 12-207 - amended

SB0042 - NATURAL RESOURCES – BAYSTAT SUBCABINET – MEMBERSHIP

Sponsor/Status: Senator Conway. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Altering the membership of the BayStat Subcabinet to include a representative from the University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute. Hearing 1/21 at 1:00.

1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/7 Hearing 1/21 at 1:00 p.m.
1/29 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/30 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
2/3 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
NR, § 8-2A-03(a)(3) - amended

SB0047 - ENVIRONMENT – PERMIT APPLICATIONS – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Harrington. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

11/13 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Hearing 2/3 at 1:45 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/26 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/23 First Reading Environmental Matters
4/1 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/31 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/1 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (134-0)

Purpose: Requiring notification by mail to specified record residential property owners of specified permit applications under specified circumstances; requiring the notice to contain specified information; requiring permit applicants to pay the cost of the notice; and authorizing the Department of the Environment to require the permit applicant to publish and send specified notices.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 1-602 - amended

SB0056 - GAS COMPANIES AND ELECTRIC COMPANIES – ANNUAL REPORTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Klausmeier. Assigned to: Finance. Hearing 2/3 at 2:00.

11/17 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Finance
1/15 Hearing 2/3 at 2:00 p.m.
1/26 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 2/10 at 2:00 p.m.
2/9 Hearing Cancelled

2/12 Unfavorable Report by Finance Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring each gas company and each electric company to file a separate annual report for each of its nonregulated affiliated or subsidiary companies that operate in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
PUC, § 6-205 - amended

SB0060 - MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – MASS TRANSIT SERVICE ALTERATIONS – PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AND PEOPLE’S COUNSEL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Service Commission). Assigned to: Finance.

10/29 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Finance
Hearing 1/27 at 2:00 p.m.
1/29 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
1/30 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
2/3 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

2/4 First Reading Economic Matters & Environmental Matters
3/10 Hearing 3/26 at 1:00 p.m.
4/1 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Favorable Report by Economic Matters
4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/8 Third Reading Passed (131-4)

Purpose: Repealing a requirement that the Maryland Transit Administration refer specified matters to the Public Service Commission and the People's Counsel for recommendations prior to holding specified public hearings; repealing a requirement that the Commission and the People's Counsel submit reports to the Administration relating to mass transit; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 7-506(e) - amended and § 7-507 - repealed

SB0061 - MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION – JURISDICTION, POWERS, AND DUTIES

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation). Assigned to: Finance.

10/22 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Finance
Hearing 1/27 at 2:00 p.m.
2/12 Favorable Report by Finance
2/13 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
2/17 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

2/18 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/8 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Purpose: Expanding the Maryland Port Administration's jurisdiction to include inland properties or facilities acquired, leased, or operated by the Administration for the transport or storage of cargo and equipment; and authorizing the Administration to exercise its powers and duties at these inland properties or facilities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 6-103(a) - amended

SB0065 - STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – LINE OF DUTY DEATH BENEFITS – MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY EMPLOYEES

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation). Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

10/22 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
1/7 Hearing 1/15 at 2:00 p.m.
1/9 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 1/15 at 12:00 p.m.
1/14 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 1/15 at 12:30 p.m.
1/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
1/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
1/29 Third Reading Passed (43-0)

House Action

1/30 First Reading Appropriations
2/9 Favorable Report by Appropriations
2/10 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
2/12 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Purpose: Extending line of duty death benefits under specified circumstances to surviving spouses, specified minor children, or dependent parents of specified deceased members of the State Retirement and Pension System who were employed by the Maryland Transportation Authority.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
Chapter 519 of the Acts of 2008, § 2 - amended

**SB0069 - VEHICLE LAWS – AIR-CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT
SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental - Transportation). Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Action

10/29 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
1/7 Hearing 1/15 at 1:30 p.m.
1/16 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
1/19 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
1/21 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

1/22 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/8 Third Reading Passed (135-1)

Purpose: Requiring motor vehicles of model year 2010 or any model year thereafter to contain only specified types of air-conditioning refrigerants; providing for consultation between the Department of the Environment and the Motor Vehicle Administrator in the adoption of regulations; prohibiting the sale and equipping of vehicles of model year 2010 or thereafter if the requirements of the Act are not met; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 22-410 - amended

**SB0073 - MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION
FOUNDATION – SALE OF LAND PRESERVATION EASEMENTS –
CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS**

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

9/30 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/7 Hearing 1/15 at 2:00 p.m.
1/29 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/30 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
2/3 Third Reading Passed (43-2)

House Action

2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/1 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 17
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Purpose: Requiring that, in the sale of agricultural land preservation easements to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, specified documents remain confidential until after the end of the offer cycle, as determined by the Foundation.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
AG, § 2-510(m) - added

**SB0075 - PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – MARYLAND PORT
ADMINISTRATION – CONFIDENTIALITY OF SECURITY–RELATED
DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS**

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

10/22 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/7 Hearing 1/22 at 2:00 p.m.
2/20 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
2/24
Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

2/25 First Reading Health and Government Operations
3/18 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
4/7 Favorable Report by Health and Government Operations
4/2 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/3 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Purpose: Adding specified documents and records concerning ports to the list of security–related documentation that may be exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
SG, § 10-618(j) - amended

**SB0077 - DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – ORGANIC CERTIFICATION
PROGRAM – FEES**

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

10/6 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/7 Hearing 1/27 at 3:00 p.m.
1/21 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 1/27 at 2:00 p.m.
2/5 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
2/10 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/8 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/2 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/3 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 19

Purpose: Repealing a requirement that the Department of Agriculture adopt regulations to create an Organic Certification Program that meets the requirements of federal law; requiring the Organic Certification Program established by the Department to conform to specified federal law; eliminating the limit at which the Secretary is authorized to set a specified fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, §§ 10-1401, 10-1402, 10-1404, and 10-1406 - amended

**SB0089 - MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION
FOUNDATION – IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES –
AUTHORIZATION**

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

- 10/22 Pre-filed
- 1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 1/7 Hearing 1/15 at 2:00 p.m.
- 2/13 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/16 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
- 2/17 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 2/18 (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
- 2/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Stoltzfus)
Special Order 2/19 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
- 2/19 Floor Amendment (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 2/23 Third Reading Passed (44-3)

House Action

- 2/24 First Reading Environmental Matters

- 3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/8 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/2 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/3 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 24

Purpose: Authorizing the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation to impose civil penalties for violations of specified provisions of law and regulations relating to agricultural preservation easements; establishing that each day a violation occurs is a separate violation; establishing notice and hearing requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
AG, § 2-519 - added

**SB0090 - MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION
FOUNDATION – VALUATION OF TERMINATED EASEMENTS**

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

- 11/14 Pre-filed
- 1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 1/7 Hearing 1/15 at 2:00 p.m.
- 1/29 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 1/30 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 2/3 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

- 2/4 First Reading – Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/1 Third Reading Passed (133-0)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 25

Purpose: Altering the appraisal method for a terminated agricultural land preservation easement to be repurchased by the landowner from the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
AG, § 2-514(f) - amended

SB0091 - LAWN AND TURF GRASS SEED – TESTING AND LABELING REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

10/22 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
1/7 Hearing 1/27 at 3:00 p.m.
1/21 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 1/27 at 2:00 p.m.
2/5 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
2/10 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/1 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 26

Purpose: Establishing labeling requirements for cool season lawn and turf grass seed; and extending the valid time period for completing germination tests for specified lawn and turf grass seed from 9 months to 15 months.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
AG, § 9-209.1 - added and 9-210(a) - amended

SB0092 - MOTOR CARRIERS – IDENTIFICATION MARKERS – FORGED DOCUMENTS – CRIMINAL PENALTIES

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Comptroller). Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

10/1 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m.

- 3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/5 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

- 3/6 First Reading Ways and Means
- 3/25 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
- 4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/3 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (136-0)

Purpose: Prohibiting a motor carrier from falsifying, duplicating, or attempting to falsify or duplicate IFTA licenses, decals, or other official documents issued by the Comptroller; prohibiting a motor carrier from manufacturing, constructing, or possessing falsification or duplication paraphernalia; prohibiting a motor carrier from possessing, giving away, selling, or attempting to sell falsified items; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TG, §§ 9-223 and 13-1020(d) - added

SB0093 - MOTOR FUEL TAXES – BIODIESEL FUEL USER LICENSE

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Comptroller). Assigned to: Budget and Taxation.

- 9/30 Pre-filed
- 1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation
Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2/25 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 2/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/2 Third Reading Passed (44-0)

House Action

- 3/3 First Reading Ways and Means
- 3/25 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
- 4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/3 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (133-0)

Purpose: Requiring a person to be licensed by the Comptroller before the person may buy, produce, acquire, receive, or store biodiesel fuel on which the motor fuel tax has not been paid and use it in specified motor vehicles; providing for the issuance of a biodiesel fuel user license

under the motor fuel tax law; defining terms and altering definitions under the motor fuel tax law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TG, §§ 9-101(h), 9-301(h), and 13-825(f)(8) - amended and §§ 9-101(c-1), 9-301(d-1), and 9-322(h-1) - added

SB0098 - MOTOR VEHICLES – USE OF TEXT MESSAGING DEVICE WHILE DRIVING – PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 1/15 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 1/27 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 3/11 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Harris) Adopted
- 3/12 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted
Special Order 3/13 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
- 3/13 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Harris) Rejected (13-34)
Floor Amendment (Senator Zirkin) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Zirkin) Rejected (16-31)
Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Rejected (7-39)
Floor Amendment (Senator Stone) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/17 Third Reading Passed (43-4)

House Action

- 3/17 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Third Reading Passed (133-2)**

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from using a text messaging device to write, send, or read a text message while operating a motor vehicle.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1124.1 - added

SB0103 - VEHICLE LAWS – USE OF HANDHELD TELEPHONE WHILE DRIVING – PROHIBITIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/15 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

1/27 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/10 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Prohibiting a driver of a school vehicle from using a handheld telephone under specified circumstances; prohibiting a holder of a learner's instructional permit or provisional driver's license who is 18 years of age or older from driving a motor vehicle while using a handheld telephone; prohibiting a driver of a motor vehicle that is in motion from using the driver's hands to use a handheld telephone except under specified circumstances; establishing penalties; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1124.1 - added

SB0110 - VEHICLE LAWS – TRANSPORTING PETS IN TRUCKS OR TRAILERS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings.

1/15 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

1/16 Hearing 1/27 at 1:00 p.m.

2/5 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

2/6 Favorable

Special Order 2/10 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted

2/10 Favorable

Special Order 2/13 (Senator Della) Adopted

2/13 Special Order 2/17 (Senator Colburn) Adopted

2/17 Favorable Report Rejected (17-30)

Second Reading Failed

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from transporting pets in or on a truck or trailer on a highway unless the truck or trailer is enclosed on the sides and the top in a manner that safely prevents the pet from falling, jumping, or otherwise exiting the truck or trailer or unless the pet is confined by a device designed to safely prevent the pet from falling, jumping, or otherwise exiting the truck or trailer; providing that a violation of the Act is not a moving violation for specified purposes; defining "pet"; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1121.1 - added

SB0120 - ENVIRONMENT – PERMIT PROCESS – MODIFICATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

1/16 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

1/21 Hearing 2/3 at 1:45 p.m.

2/13 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment to provide an opportunity for a contested case hearing under specified circumstances; altering specified public hearing and

notice requirements; establishing an Environmental Leadership Group; establishing the membership of the Group; requiring an applicant for a specified permit to prepare and submit an environmental impact statement to the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 1-601, 1-602, and 2-404 - amended and § 1-608 - added

SB0125 - NATURAL RESOURCES – PROHIBITION ON DREDGING BURIED OYSTER SHELLS ON MAN–O–WAR SHOALS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Brochin, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

1/16 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

**2/5 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Withdrawn**

Purpose: Prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from dredging buried oyster shells on Man–O–War Shoals as part of carrying out specified duties to increase the productivity or utility of the natural oyster bars of the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 4-1103(a) - amended

SB0143 - VEHICLE LAWS – USE OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES WHILE DRIVING – PROHIBITIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/19 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

1/27 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/10 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Prohibiting a driver of a specified school vehicle from using wireless communication devices; prohibiting a holder of a learner’s instructional permit or provisional driver’s license who is 18 years of age or older from driving a motor vehicle while using wireless communication devices; prohibiting a driver of a motor vehicle that is in motion from using the driver’s hands to use wireless communication devices; providing exceptions to the prohibitions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1124.1 - added

SB0146 - MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AND TAXING DISTRICTS – FINANCIAL AUDITS

Sponsor/Status: Senators Frosh and Madaleno. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

- 1/19 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:30 p.m.
- 2/25 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
- 2/26 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/2 Third Reading Passed (44-0)

House Action

- 3/3 First Reading Appropriations
- 3/18 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/24 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 3/31 at 2:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable Report by Appropriations
- 3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/1 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 32

Purpose: Altering the threshold amount of revenues a municipal corporation or taxing district created by the State may receive while remaining eligible to have a specified audit conducted every 4 years instead of annually; altering the threshold amount of expenditures a special taxing district created by and situated in a county may make before being subject to specified auditing rules and regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
Art. 19, § 40 - amended

SB0163 – PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – USE OF FUNDS – INDOOR OR OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/20 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:30
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Edwards) Adopted
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted (24-23)
Special Order later today (Senator Edwards) Adopted
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Floor Amendment (Senator Edwards) Rejected (21-24)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/27 Third Reading Passed (34-12)

House Action

3/24 First Reading Environmental Matters
4/1 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/8 Motion Reconsider Second Reading (Delegate McIntosh) Adopted
Motion Reconsider Favorable with Amendments (Delegate McIntosh) Adopted
Committee Amendment Withdrawn
Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/9 Third Reading Passed (119-15)

Purpose: Authorizing a local government body to use Program Open Space funds for the construction of indoor or outdoor recreational facilities; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

NR, § 5-903(b) - amended

SB0164 - NATURAL RESOURCES – RECREATIONAL FISHING LICENSES – PENALTIES

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

1/20 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:30
3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/5 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

3/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
3/26 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/7 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/9 Third Reading Passed (131-0)

Purpose: Altering the authority of the Secretary of Natural Resources to revoke or suspend specified recreational fishing licenses to apply to licenses issued for recreational fishing in both nontidal and tidal waters; authorizing the Secretary to adopt regulations that list the criteria for the suspension of recreational fishing licenses; prohibiting a person from engaging in specified activities during a period of suspension of a license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

NR, § 4-220 - added, §§ 4-602 and 4-745 - amended, and § 4-626 - repealed

SB0168 – DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – SHELLFISH AND CRABS – PUBLIC PLACES

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/21 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:30
- 3/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/12 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/16 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/17 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Clarifying and altering the regulatory and public notification requirements for the adoption of specified regulations relating to shellfish and crabs by the Department of Natural Resources; prohibiting the reclassification of clam bars to natural oyster bottom unless a specified finding is made in an environmental impact study; altering the authority of the Department, after following specified notice and hearing procedures, to adopt regulations to name and close areas to be designated as oyster sanctuaries; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

NR, §§ 4-803, 4-1102, 4-1103, and 4-1106 - amended

SB0169 – DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – ANTIQUATED FISH AND FISHERIES LAW – REPEAL

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources). Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/21 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:30
- 3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/5 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Repealing provisions of law prohibiting the catch of specified species of fish under specified circumstances; repealing provisions that prohibit a person from using specified devices to catch specified species under specified circumstances; repealing a provision prohibiting specified nets from being placed a specified distance apart; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

NR, Various Sections - repealed and amended

SB0175 - DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – SHELL DREDGING – PERMIT APPLICATION

Sponsor/Status: Senator Colburn. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

- 1/21 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:30
- 3/19 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs
- 3/20 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/24 Third Reading Passed (46-1)

House Action

- 3/21 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/7 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/9 Third Reading Passed (132-0)

Purpose: Altering from December 1, 2008, to July 1, 2009, the date by which the Department of Natural Resources is required to apply to the Department of the Environment and the United

States Army Corps of Engineers for permits to dredge buried oyster shells under specified circumstances; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

Chapter 325 of the Acts of 2008, § 2 - amended

SB0184 – ENVIRONMENT – BROMINATED FLAME RETARDANTS – DECABROMINATED DIPHENYL ETHER – PROHIBITION.

Sponsor/Status - Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

1/22 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting, on or after January 1, 2010, the manufacturing, processing, selling, or distributing of a new product or a flame–retardant part of a new product that contains a specified amount of decabrominated diphenyl ether; and providing that the prohibition does not apply to specified processing of specified recyclables, specified manufacturer replacement service parts or other products, specified vehicles, or specified products or parts for use in vehicles.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2010

EN, §§ 6-1201 and 6-1202 - amended

SB0188 - MARYLAND STRATEGIC ENERGY INVESTMENT FUND – ALLOCATION OF FUNDS – LOW-INCOME RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAMS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pugh, et al. Assigned to: Finance

1/22 First Reading Finance
2/4 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
2/10 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
3/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/12 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/12 First Reading Economic Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing the use of specified moneys in the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund for low–income renewable energy programs.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SG, § 9-20B-05(h)(1) - amended

SB0189 - VEHICLE LAWS – SCHOOL BUSES AND FORMER SCHOOL BUSES –SEAT BELTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Simonaire. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings.

- 1/22 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 1/23 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2/23 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 2/24 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 2/26 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

- 2/27 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Clarifying that a Type I school vehicle is not required to be equipped with seat belts and is not subject to specified regulations if it is used by specified schools, camps, day nurseries, or day care centers to transport children; and establishing that a motor vehicle that was formerly registered as a Type I school vehicle is not required to be equipped with seat belts and is not subject to specified regulations under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 22-412.1 - amended

SB0199 - BIODIESEL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE VEHICLE FLEET

Sponsor/Status: Senator Garagiola, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 1/28 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Altering the percentage of biodiesel fuel that the State is required to ensure is used in at least 50% of vehicles using diesel fuel in the State vehicle fleet in specified fiscal years.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SF, § 14-408 - amended

SB0206 - MALFUNCTIONING TRAFFIC LIGHT ACT

Sponsor/Status: Senator Robey, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 1/27 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Requiring a driver who is approaching a traffic control signal with no visible lighted indication to reduce speed and prepare to yield to other vehicles in or approaching the intersection under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-202(m) - added and amended

**SB0208 - VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVERS’ LICENSES AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS –
LAWFUL PRESENCE IN UNITED STATES**

Sponsor/Status: Senators Brinkley and Pipkin. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
2/11 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Adding the requirement to provide documentation certifying that an individual is either a United States citizen or is lawfully present in the United States in accordance with federal law to the requirements for the issuance of a driver’s license or an identification card; limiting the effective term of a driver’s license or identification card issued to specified individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 12-301(a) and (i), 16-103.1, and 16-115(a) - amended and §
16-106(e)(4) - added

SB0212 - ENVIRONMENT – GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL

Sponsor/Status: Senator Frosh. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/4 2/10 at 1:00
2/19 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental
Affairs
2/20 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
2/23 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 2/24 (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
2/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
2/26 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

2/27 First Reading Health and Government Operations & Appropriations
3/18 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
4/10 Favorable Report by Health and Government Operations
4/4 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/5 Third Reading Passed (133-0)

Purpose: Expanding the responsibilities of the Green Building Council to include providing recommendations on how to expand green building in the State; removing specified obsolete dates; and expanding the scope of specified recommendations that the Council is required to make relating to the implementation of a higher performance building program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
SF, § 4-809(f) and (g) – amended

SB0219 - VEHICLE LAWS – VIOLATIONS BY DRIVERS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS – DRIVER’S LICENSE SUSPENSIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Frosh, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 1/30 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 3/25 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/27 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

- 3/24 First Reading Judiciary
- 3/30 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/13 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/9 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (133-0)

Purpose: Requiring a court to order the Motor Vehicle Administration to initiate an action to suspend the driving privilege of a child for specified periods of time on making a finding that the child has committed specified violations relating to alcoholic beverages, leaving the scene of an accident, or fleeing or eluding a police officer; providing that the Administration may not issue restricted licenses to individuals whose drivers’ licenses are suspended under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
CJ, §§ 3-8A-19(e)(1) and 3-8A-23(a) and TR, §§ 16-206(b) and 16-404 - amended and TR, § 21-905 - added

SB0220 - STATE GOVERNMENT – PROHIBITION ON USE OF STATE FUNDS – ETHANOL DERIVED FROM CORN

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pinsky, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

- 1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs & Budget and Taxation

2/11 Hearing 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the use of State funds to encourage specified uses and production of ethanol derived from corn; prohibiting the Renewable Fuels Incentive Board from offering a production credit for ethanol derived from corn; and altering definitions to remove specified financial incentives for the use of ethanol derived from corn.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, §§ 10-1502 and 10-1504(b)(4) and (d), EC, § 10-801(f), and TG, §§ 9-101(d) and 10-726(a)(2) - amended and SF, § 7-203 - added

SB0221 - HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – DISCLOSURES – USE OF LIFE– SUSTAINING PROCEDURES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett. Assigned to: Finance

- 1/23 First Reading Finance
- 1/28 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
- 3/27 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Dyson) Adopted
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Dyson)
Special Order later today (Senator Della) Adopted
Favorable with Amendments
Special Order later today (Senator Dyson) Adopted
- 3/28 Floor Amendment (Senator Dyson) Withdrawn
Floor Amendment (Senator Dyson)
Special Order later today (Senator Middleton) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Dyson) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Lenett) Adopted (32-13)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

House Action

- 3/29 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/6 Re-referred Health and Government Operations
- 4/7 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.

4/13 Unfavorable Report by Health and Government Operations

Purpose: Requiring health care facilities to provide information concerning the right to make specified decisions about health care, request a copy of existing advance directives under specified circumstances, and inform competent individuals or proxy decision makers about specified facility procedures; and requiring the State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life to consult with specified groups before developing and making publicly available specified resources.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HG, § 5-615(a) - amended, § 5-615(b) - repealed, and § 5-615(b) and (c) - added

SB0223 - TAX – PROPERTY – ASSESSMENT AND VALUATION – FOREST CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Senator Edwards. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

- 1/23 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:30 p.m.
- 2/25 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 2/26 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Della) Adopted
- 2/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

House Action

- 3/4 First Reading Ways and Means
- 3/25 Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Providing that woodland subject to a Forest Conservation and Management Agreement may not be reassessed when timber is harvested if fewer than 6 acres of timbered land are harvested and the owner agrees the land will remain open space for a specified time.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TP, § 8-211(a) and (i) - amended

SB0240 - NATURAL RESOURCES – EXPANDED USE OF WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND

Sponsor/Status: Senator Astle. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/23 Unfavorable Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs**

Purpose: Authorizing grants from the Waterway Improvement Fund to be used for the purchase and installation of best management practices for implementation at public or private marine facilities for the designation or renewal of a marina as a Maryland Clean Marina or Clean Marina partner; prohibiting the amount of grants for the purchase and installation of best management practices from exceeding 50% of the cost of purchasing and installing each best management practice; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NR, §§ 8-707, 8-708, and 8-709 - amended

SB0244 - VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVERS’ LICENSES, IDENTIFICATION CARDS, AND MOPED OPERATORS’ PERMITS – PROOF OF LAWFUL PRESENCE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Greenip, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/11 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue an identification card or moped operator's permit to an individual who, in addition to meeting specified other requirements, provides specified documentation certifying that an individual is either a United States citizen or is lawfully present in the United States in accordance with federal law; prohibiting the Administration from issuing a driver's license to an individual who cannot provide specified documentation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, §§ 12-301(a) and (i), 16-103.1, 16-104.2, 16-106(c), and 16-115(a) - amended and § 16-106(e)(4) - added

SB0245 - STATE AID FOR POLICE PROTECTION – GRANTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Rosapepe. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

1/23 First Reading Budget and Taxation

1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:30 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring a grant that is the equivalent of \$20 per capita for police protection to be paid by the State to each municipality that contains an institution of higher education with a full-time undergraduate enrollment of at least 20,000; requiring a municipality to provide a specified matching fund for police protection in an amount equivalent to a grant received under the Act; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 41, § 4-403(b-1) - added

SB0250 - VEHICLE LAWS – TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS – MOTORCYCLES NOT DETECTED BY VEHICLE SENSORS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Astle. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

1/27 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

2/3 Hearing Cancelled

2/5 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings Withdrawn

Purpose: Authorizing the driver of a motorcycle at an intersection where traffic is controlled by a traffic control signal to proceed through a red signal under specified circumstances if a visible vehicle sensor operating the traffic control signal does not detect the presence of the motorcycle.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-210 - added

SB0253 - VEHICLE LAWS – PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR REQUIREMENT FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDERS – EXCEPTIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Astle. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Providing exceptions to the prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without protective headgear.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1306 - amended

SB0260 - VEHICLE LAWS – TESTING OF DRIVERS INVOLVED IN FATAL OR LIFE–THREATENING ACCIDENTS

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration) (Task Force to Combat Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Alcohol) and Senator

Forehand. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

1/30 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Requiring a police officer to request a driver involved in a motor vehicle accident that results in death or life–threatening injury to voluntarily submit to a preliminary breath test for alcohol under specified circumstances; providing that a police officer who asks a person to voluntarily submit to a test shall advise the person that there is no sanction or consequence for refusing to submit to the test or for any result; providing that a test may be used only for specified research and statistical purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 16-205.3 - added

SB0262 - VEHICLE LAWS – REPEATED DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING OFFENSES – SUSPENSION OF LICENSE

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration) (Task Force to Combat Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Alcohol) and Senator

Forehand. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

1/30 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings

3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/27 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

4/10 Senate Concur - House Amendments

Third Reading Passed (44-0)

Passed Enrolled

House Action

3/24 First Reading Judiciary

3/30 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary

4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/8 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (137-0)

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to suspend for a specified period the driver's license of a person who has been convicted of specified drunk and drugged driving offenses within a specified time period after a previous conviction for specified drunk and drugged driving offenses.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-205(e)(2), (3), and (4) - amended

**SB0263 – VEHICLE LAWS – ALCOHOL RESTRICTION ON DRIVER'S LICENSE–
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS**

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration) (Task Force to Combat Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Alcohol) and Senator Forehand. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings.

1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
1/30 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/27 Third Reading Passed (46-0)
4/4 Reading Passed

House Action

3/24 First Reading Judiciary
3/30 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Favorable Report by Judiciary
4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/2 Third Reading Passed (137-0)

Purpose: Establishing specified penalties for a violation of a driver's license alcohol restriction imposed by the Motor Vehicle Administration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 16-113(j), 27-101(c)(11), and 27-102 - amended

SB0265 - VEHICLE LAWS – YOUNG DRIVERS – DRIVING PRIVILEGES

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
1/30 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings

- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Kittleman) Adopted
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Kittleman) Adopted (28-19)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/28 Third Reading Passed (33-14)

House Action

- 3/26 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 4/1 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (133-1)
- 4/8 House Refuses to Recede
Conference Committee Appointed ...
Delegates Malone, Frush, and Stull
- 4/10 Conference Committee Report Adopted**
Third Reading Passed (123-0)

Purpose: Increasing the minimum ages at which an individual may obtain a learner's instructional permit, provisional license, and full driver's license; increasing the maximum age under which an applicant for a learner's instructional permit must provide a school attendance record; altering the period after which the holder of a learner's instructional permit may take the examinations for a provisional license under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 16-103, 16-105(a) and (d), 16-108, 16-111(d), 16-113(d), 16-212, 16-213, and 21-1123 - amended and § 16-113(d-2) - added

**SB0273 - SMART, GREEN, AND GROWING – LOCAL GOVERNMENT
PLANNING – PLANNING VISIONS**

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/10 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Glassman) Adopted
- 3/11 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted
Special Order 3/12 (Senator Glassman) Adopted
- 3/12 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Glassman) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/16 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/17 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
4/10 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/4 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/5 Third Reading Passed (126-7)

Purpose: Revising the State Economic Growth, Resource Protection, and Planning Policy and visions; requiring local jurisdictions to submit a specified report every 2 years on or before July 1 to the Department of Planning; requiring the Department to publish a specified report every 2 years on or before January 1; authorizing specified local jurisdictions to establish a program for the transfer of development rights within a priority funding area for specified purposes; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SF, § 5-7A-01 and Art. 66B, §§ 1.01, 10.01, and 11.01 - amended

SB0274 - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AND SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS – TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration). Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

1/23 First Reading Budget and Taxation
2/4 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/5 Third Reading Passed (47-0)
4/8 Senate Concur - House Amendment
Third Reading Passed (47-0)
Passed Enrolled

House Action

3/6 First Reading Ways and Means
3/25 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/4 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (134-0)

Purpose: Authorizing specified political subdivisions to finance the costs of public improvements in or supporting specified transit-oriented developments in specified manners; providing for the establishment and termination of specified special taxing districts; providing for the uses of specified special funds established for the improvement and maintenance of specified transit-oriented developments through tax increment financing and other specified mechanisms; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

Art. 23A, Art. 24, and EC, Various Sections - added and amended

SB0276 - SMART, GREEN, AND GROWING – ANNUAL REPORT – SMART GROWTH MEASURES AND INDICATORS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANNING VISIONS

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Committee Amendment (Education Health and Environmental Affairs) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/3 Third Reading Passed (45-2)
- 4/8 Returned Passed

House Action

- 4/2 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/9 Re-referred Environmental Matters
Hearing 4/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed (123-14)**

Purpose: Requiring specified local planning commissions to include information about smart growth measures and indicators in a specified report; exempting counties or municipal corporations that issue fewer than 50 building permits per year; requiring exempt jurisdictions to provide specified documentation; requiring the Department of Planning to adopt specified regulations; requiring the Task Force on the Future for Growth and Development to make specified recommendations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

Art. 66B, §§ 1.02, 2.13, and 3.09 - amended and § 3.10 - added

**SB0277 - VEHICLE LAWS – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – STATEWIDE
AUTHORIZATION AND USE IN HIGHWAY WORK ZONES**

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 1/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 1/30 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 3/27 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Greenip) Adopted
Favorable with Amendments
Special Order later today (Senator Frosh) Adopted
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Robey)
Special Order 3/31 (Senator Mooney) Adopted
- 3/29 Floor Amendment (Senator Robey) Adopted (26-19)
Floor Amendment (Senator Brinkley) Rejected (21-22)
Floor Amendment (Senator Frosh) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Rejected (16-29)
Special Order later today (Senator Klausmeier)
Floor Amendment (Senator Klausmeier) Rejected (21-24)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/30 Third Reading Failed (23-24)
- 3/31 Motion Reconsider Third Reading (Senator Currie)
Special Order later today (Senator Currie) Adopted
Motion Reconsider Third Reading (Senator Currie) Adopted (28-19)
Motion limit debate (Senator Kasemeyer) Adopted (29-17)
Third Reading Passed (27-20)
- 4/6
Returned Passed

House Action

- 3/30 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/6 Re-referred Environmental Matters
- 4/7 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Delegate Miller) Rejected (38-95)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Smigiel) Rejected (36-98)
Floor Amendment (Delegate McDonough) Rejected (38-88)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Conaway) Rejected (42-85)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Conaway) Rejected
Floor Amendment (Delegate Shank) Rejected (37-95)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Impallaria) Rejected (33-97)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Impallaria) Rejected (33-99)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Bates) Rejected (44-92)

- Second Reading Passed
- 4/4 Floor Amendment (Delegate McDonough) Rejected (44-86)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Shank) Rejected (43-86)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Kipke) Rejected (43-86)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate McConkey)
 Motion vote previous question (Delegate Smigiel) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate McConkey) Rejected (34-85)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Kipke) Rejected
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Boteler) Rejected (41-88)
Third Reading Passed (94-41)

Purpose: Authorizing in all counties of the State and in specified highway work zones the use of speed monitoring systems to enforce specified highway speed laws under specified standards and procedures; restricting the use of specified revenues generated under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

CJ, IN, SG, and TR, Various Sections - amended and TR, § 21-810 - added

SB0278 - GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pinsky and the President (By Request – Administration), et al.

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
 1/28 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.
 2/20 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
 2/23 Favorable with Amendments
 Laid Over (Senator Pinsky) Adopted
 2/24 Favorable with Amendments
 Special Order 2/26 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
 2/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Senator Exum) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Senator Jones) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Senator Mooney) Rejected (1-44)
 Floor Amendment (Senator Jacobs) Rejected (17-29)
 Second Reading Passed with Amendments
 3/2 Third Reading Passed (36-9)

House Action

- 3/3 First Reading Economic Matters and Environmental Matters
 3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
 4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
 Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/8 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (107-30)

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment to publish and update an inventory of statewide greenhouse gas emissions for calendar year 2006; requiring the State to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 25% from 2006 levels by 2020; requiring the State to develop and adopt a specified plan, adopt specified regulations, and implement specified programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; altering specified requirements; providing for the termination of a specified provision of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, §§ 2-1201 through 2-1211 - added

SB0280 - SMART, GREEN, AND GROWING – SMART AND SUSTAINABLE GROWTH ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: The President (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Committee Amendment (Education Health and Environmental Affairs)
Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/27 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

- 3/24 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 4/1 Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/10 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/4 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/5 Third Reading Passed (120-12)**

Purpose: Defining a specified term applicable to the exercise by a local jurisdiction of land use, water and sewer plan review, growth allocation, and annexation powers to require consistency with a local comprehensive plan under specified circumstances; altering the applicability of specified land use provisions to specified local jurisdictions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
Art. 66B, Various Sections - amended and § 1.02 - added

SB0288 - VEHICLE LAWS – PROHIBITION AGAINST SMOKING IN VEHICLE CONTAINING YOUNG CHILD

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/28 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
2/11 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.
2/17 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Prohibiting a driver of a motor vehicle in which a person who is under the age of 8 is a passenger from smoking a tobacco product or allowing a passenger to smoke in the motor vehicle; establishing a \$50 fine for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 21-1127 and 27-115 - added

SB0291 - MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – EASEMENT PROPERTIES – NATURAL GAS DRILLING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Edwards. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

1/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Authorizing a landowner whose land is subject to an agricultural land preservation easement to drill for natural gas.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, § 2-513(b)(1) - amended

SB0292 - VEHICLE LAWS – MOTOR VEHICLE AND BICYCLE RACING EVENTS – SUNSET REPEAL

Sponsor/Status: Senator Edwards. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/28 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
1/30 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/10 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings
3/11 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
3/13 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/1 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Purpose: Repealing a specified termination provision relating to motor vehicle and bicycle racing events; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

Ch. 211 of the Acts of 2007, § 2 - amended

**SB0296 - AUTOMOTIVE DISMANTLERS, RECYCLERS, AND SCRAP PROCESSORS
– NOTICE OF VEHICLE ACQUISITION**

Sponsor/Status: Senators Stone and Della. Assigned to: Finance

- 1/28 First Reading Finance
- 2/5 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings
- 2/11 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/27 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

- 3/24 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 4/1 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/8 Third Reading Passed (133-2)

Purpose: Expanding the exception to the requirement that an automotive dismantler and recycler or scrap processor provide notice of vehicle acquisition to the Motor Vehicle Administration to include vehicles obtained through an out-of-state salvage certificate; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

TR, § 15-511 - amended

SB0350 - MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS – ANNEXATIONS – SMALL PARCELS

Sponsor/Status: Senators Pinsky and Harrington. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/29 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/11 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/12 Favorable
Special Order 3/13 (Senator Brinkley) Adopted
- 3/13 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

- 3/17 Special Order 3/18 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
- 3/18 Motion Returned Second Reading (Senator Pinsky) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (43-1)

House Action

- 3/20 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/4 Third Reading Passed (132-1)**

Purpose: Providing that specified consent provisions and specified referendum provisions do not apply to a proposed annexation by a municipal corporation of a parcel that is 5 acres or less and is part of a lot that contains at least one other parcel that is already within the municipal corporate area under specified circumstances; prohibiting a municipal corporation from annexing more than 25 acres; and terminating the Act at the end of September 30, 2011.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
Art. 23A, § 19(t) - added

SB0358 - AGRICULTURE – AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION EASEMENTS – RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION

Sponsor/Status: Senator Middleton, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

- 1/30 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/2 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 4/7 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 4/3 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/10 Re-referred Environmental Matters & Economic Matters
- 4/11 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters**

Purpose: Authorizing a landowner whose land is subject to an agricultural preservation easement to use the land for the generation of power or heat from solar or wind energy under specified circumstances; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

AG, § 2-513(b)(1) - amended

SB0361 - ENVIRONMENT – REDUCING LEAD RISK IN HOUSING – LEAD PAINT DUST TESTING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Gladden. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/30 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/3 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 4/8 (Senator DeGrange) Adopted
- 4/4 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 4/9 (Senator Robey) Adopted
- 4/5 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Pinsky) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/7 Third Reading Failed (21-25)
Motion Reconsider Third Reading (Senator Gladden) Adopted (24-20)
Third Reading Failed (22-25)

Purpose: Altering the requirements for property owners to satisfy specified lead risk reduction standards relating to specified changes in occupancy in specified properties; requiring specified lead risk reduction standards to be performed in accordance with local fire code standards; and making certain conforming changes. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 6-815(a) and (b), 6-816, and 6-819(a) - amended and § 6-819(g) - repealed

SB0362 - AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION EASEMENTS – RESIDENTIAL USES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Haines. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 1/30 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (44-0)

House Action

- 3/20 First Reading Environmental Matters

3/25 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/8 Third Reading Passed (134-2)

Purpose: Authorizing a landowner whose land is subject to an agricultural land preservation easement, subject to the approval of the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, to convert the landowner's existing dwelling house into a tenant house and to build a dwelling house for the landowner's use; and providing that such a dwelling house is subject to specified restrictions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
AG, § 2-513 - amended

SB0369 - VEHICLE LAWS – PROOF OF LAWFUL PRESENCE ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/30 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
2/11 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.
3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
3/27 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Madaleno) Adopted
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/28 Third Reading Passed (36-11)

House Action

3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
4/13 **Re-referred Judiciary**

Purpose: Requiring specified documentation be provided certifying that an individual is either a United States citizen or is lawfully present in the United States in accordance with federal law before the Motor Vehicle Administration may issue an identification card, a driver's license, or a moped operator's permit; requiring an applicant for a driver's license who is not eligible for a Social Security number to provide the Administration with specified documentation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 12-301(a) and (i), 16-103.1, 16-104.2, 16-106(c), and 16-115(a) - amended and § 16-106(e)(4) – added.

SB0370 - MARYLAND QUIET VEHICLES AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TASK FORCE – EXTENSION AND MEMBERSHIP

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

1/30 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

- 2/3 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 3/11 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/13 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed (133-3)**

Purpose: Extending the duration of the Maryland Quiet Vehicles and Pedestrian Safety Task Force; altering the membership of the Task Force; altering the date on which the final findings and recommendations of the Task Force are due; requiring the Task Force to report its final findings and recommendations to the Governor; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Chapters 384 and 385 of 2008, §§ 1 and 2 - amended

SB0379 - TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL REVENUE STRUCTURE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Robey, et al. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

- 2/2 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 2/4 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing a Task Force to Study the County and Municipal Revenue Structure; providing for the membership and duties of the Task Force; providing for the designation of a chair of the Task Force; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to provide staff for the Task Force; prohibiting members of the Task Force from receiving compensation; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2009; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0384 - PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – IMPERVIOUS SURFACE PROJECTS – PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Senator Harris, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/2 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:30 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Prohibiting a local government body from using specified Program Open Space funds for the development of impervious surface.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NR, §§ 5-901 and 5-903(b) - amended

SB0388 - BALTIMORE CITY – VEHICLE LAWS – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS

Sponsor/Status: Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration). Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 2/2 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/3 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing the placement of speed monitoring systems on specified highways in Baltimore City; making specified provisions of law relating to the enforcement of speed limit laws with speed monitoring systems applicable in Baltimore City; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-809 - amended

SB0399 - FOREST CONSERVATION FUND AUTHORIZED USES – STREET SIDE SHRUB PLANTING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Rosapepe. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/2 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2/12 Hearing Cancelled

**3/9 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Withdrawn**

Purpose: Authorizing specified State and local authorities to use the Forest Conservation Fund to fund the planting of shrubs and similar plants along streets and in medians if the Department of Natural Resources determines that the planting of trees is not practicable in these areas.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
NR, § 5-1610 - amended

SB0408 - ENVIRONMENT – WATER POLLUTION CONTROL – INCENTIVES AND PENALTIES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Simonaire, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/2 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/12 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/16 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

- 3/17 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed (135-1)**

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt regulations providing performance improvement incentives for the owner or operator of specified wastewater systems; requiring the incentives adopted by regulation to be in the form of reductions in specified penalties; increasing the penalties for violations of the water pollution control law: etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, §§ 9-320 and 9-342 - amended

SB0426 - VEHICLE LAWS – RECKLESS DRIVING WHILE LICENSE IS SUSPENDED OR REVOKED – PENALTY FOR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY

Sponsor/Status: Senator Jacobs, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings.

- 2/2 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/11 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing a penalty for a person who, while in violation of provisions of law related to driving while a license is canceled, suspended, refused, or revoked, commits a violation of a specified prohibition against reckless driving that results in serious bodily injury or death.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 27-101(cc) - added

SB0428 - VEHICLE LAWS – BICYCLES, EPAMDS, AND MOTOR SCOOTERS – RULES OF THE ROAD

Sponsor/Status: Senator Raskin, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 2/2 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/3 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 3/11 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/13 Third Reading Passed (45-2)

House Action

- 3/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters**

Purpose: Requiring that a driver of a motor vehicle, when overtaking a bicycle, an Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device (EPAMD), or a motor scooter, pass safely at a specified distance; requiring a driver of a motor vehicle to yield the right-of-way to a person who is riding a bicycle, an EPAMD, or a motor scooter in a bicycle lane; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-1209 - amended

SB0432 - ENVIRONMENT – SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION – ZONING AND LANE USE REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Jacobs, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/2 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a sewage sludge utilization permit for a site unless the site meets all land use requirements or ordinances of the county where the site is located.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-233 - amended

SB0465 - ENVIRONMENT – FLOATING VESSEL PLATFORMS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone. Assigned to: Education Health & Environmental Affairs

2/4 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing a person to construct, install, operate, or maintain a floating vessel platform without having to obtain a license from the Board of Public Works or a permit from the Department of the Environment under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 16-105 - amended

SB0473 - ENVIRONMENT – RECYCLING – PUBLIC SCHOOL PLANS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/4 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
3/17 Report by Education Health and Environmental Matters
3/18 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
3/20 Third Reading Passed (44-0)

House Action

3/20 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
4/9 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/4 Third Reading Passed (127-6)

Purpose: Requiring a county recycling plan to address the collection, processing, marketing, and disposition of recyclable materials from county public schools; requiring a county to submit a revised recycling plan by October 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1703 – amended

SB0475 - CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE – INDEPENDENT INSPECTION REQUIRED BEFORE TOLL, FEE, OR PENALTY INCREASE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/4 First Reading Budget and Taxation.
2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transportation Authority from imposing an increase in a toll, fee, or penalty for the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge until a specified inspection is conducted; requiring the Authority to retain the services of an entity that is independent of and not affiliated with the Authority to conduct the inspection; requiring the Authority to require the entity to use state-of-the-art technology for the inspection; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
TR, § 4-312(c) - amended

SB0476 - TRANSPORTATION – CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE CROSSING – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY FOR A THIRD SPAN

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Finance

2/4 First Reading Finance
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

4/9 Unfavorable Report by Finance

Purpose: Explicitly stating the power of the Maryland Transportation Authority to conduct or coordinate a study of the environmental impact of a proposed transportation facility; requiring the Transportation Authority, in collaboration with specified other agencies, to commence the process, on or before a specified date, to conduct and complete an Environmental Impact Study for a third crossing of the Chesapeake Bay; and requiring that the Environmental Impact Study be for a span at a specified location.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 4-205 - amended

SB0477 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – FIXING OR REVISING TOLLS – LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL REQUIRED

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/4 First Reading Budget and Taxation.

2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transportation Authority from fixing or revising a toll on any part of any transportation facilities project unless the General Assembly approves the toll through legislation; and authorizing the Authority, on or after October 1, 2009, to continue to charge and collect a toll of the same amount in effect before October 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 4-312 - amended

SB0478 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE – TOLLS

Purpose: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/4 First Reading Budget and Taxation

2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to temporarily stop collecting tolls for the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Bridge (Chesapeake Bay Bridge) under specified congested traffic conditions; requiring the Authority to resume collecting tolls when specified congested traffic conditions no longer exist; requiring the Authority to take specified action to obtain a necessary modification of a specified trust agreement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 4-312(c) - amended

SB0479 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – BONDING AUTHORITY

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/4 First Reading Budget and Taxation

2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Modifying a specified limit on the issuance of revenue bonds by the Maryland Transportation Authority.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, § 4-306 - amended

SB0483 - CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE – INSPECTION BY INDEPENDENT ENTITY REQUIRED

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Finance

2/4 First Reading Finance
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to cause an inspection to be conducted of all elements of the superstructure and substructure of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge on or before December 31, 2009; requiring the Authority to retain the services of an entity independent of and not affiliated with the Authority to conduct the inspection; requiring the Authority to mandate that the entity conducting the inspection use the most exacting and state-of-the-art technology available for that purpose in the industry; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB0506 - MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – PUBLIC HEARINGS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Gladden. Assigned to: Finance.

2/4 First Reading Finance
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

House Action

3/28 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
4/6 Re-referred Environmental Matters
4/7 Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m.
4/10 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/4 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/5 Third Reading Passed (129-3)

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transit Administration from changing a bus timetable or bus or rail service until a public hearing is held on the matter; altering the time period during which the Administration may implement a policy change on specified matters; requiring the Administration to revise, correct, and reissue notice to persons, as specified; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 7-506 - amended

SB0509 - ENVIRONMENT – NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCES – POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Stone. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/4 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring a political subdivision to adopt a noise control ordinance that is at least as stringent as specified standards, limits, and rules adopted by the Department of the Environment.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 3-105 - amended

SB0510 - MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – VEHICLE MANUFACTURER’S REBATES – EXEMPTIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senators Pipkin and Brinkley. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
2/4 First Reading Budget and Taxation
2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Exempting motor vehicle manufacturer’s rebates from the determination of the fair market value for motor vehicles for the purpose of imposing the motor vehicle excise tax; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TR, § 13-809 - amended

SB0513 - WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION – APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MEMBER

Sponsor/Status: Senators Forehand and Muse
2/5 First Reading Finance
2/11 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
2/23 Favorable Report by Finance
2/24 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
2/26 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

2/27 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/8 Third Reading Passed (135-1)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 76

Purpose: Altering the agency from which the District of Columbia is required to appoint a District of Columbia member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission;

specifying the effect of a specified amendment on the status of a member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission; and making the Act subject to a specified contingency.

CONTINGENT

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

TR, § 10-203 Title I Article III Section 1 - amended

SB 521 - VEHICLE LAWS – OFF-HIGHWAY RECREATIONAL VEHICLES – TITLING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Forehand

2/5 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Hearing Cancelled

Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Defining “off-highway recreational vehicle”; requiring the owner of an off-highway recreational vehicle purchased on or after October 1, 2009 to apply for a certificate of title by electronic transmission; imposing an excise tax for a certificate of title issued for an off-highway recreational vehicle for which sales and use tax is not collected; providing that an off-highway recreational vehicle is not required to be inspected when ownership is transferred; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 11-140.1 & 13-102(13) - added & §§ 11-176, 13-102(11) and (12), 13-104(a), 13-108.1, 13-809, and 23-206 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB0529 - ENVIRONMENT – ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE REVIEW – PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Harrington. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Finance

2/5 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs & Finance

2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities and the Department of Planning, to develop criteria and maps that identify environmentally stressed communities in the State on or before October 1, 2010; requiring specified public service companies to submit an Environmental Justice Review and other information under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 1-701 and 1-702 and PUC, § 11-101.1 - added and EN, § 1-703 - amended

SB0534 - MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION – DRIVING RECORDS – ONLINE ACCESS FOR ATTORNEYS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Zirkin. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/5 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Hearing Cancelled

Hearing 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to make an individual's driving record available online to the individual's attorney; requiring the Administration to require that an attorney requesting a driving record under the Act certify specified information; authorizing the Administration to carry out the Act in a specified manner to ensure that only attorneys licensed to practice law in the State have access to driving records under provisions of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 16-117(d) - added

SB0539 - DRIVER RELIEF ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Senator Frosh, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/5 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring specified plans and programs to provide for air quality improvement by attaining a specified performance objective of reducing the statewide average of vehicle miles traveled (VMT) by a specified amount by January 1, 2036; requiring a specified schedule for reducing VMT; requiring the Department of the Environment to review and evaluate specified plans and programs for compliance with the Act; and authorizing the Department to adopt specified regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 2-303.2 - amended

SB0547 ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES – PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Sponsor/Status: Senators Forehand and Raskin. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/5 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Hearing Cancelled

Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting an individual from operating or riding on an all-terrain vehicle unless the individual is wearing protective headgear and an eye protective device that meet specified standards; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1207.3 - added

SB0548 - VEHICLE LAWS – ALL–TERRAIN VEHICLES – SAFETY STANDARDS AND TRAINING

Sponsor/Status: Senators Forehand and Raskin. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 2/5 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/4 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board to establish criteria for all–terrain vehicle safety programs and approve qualifying programs; establishing specified prohibitions related to the operation of specified all– terrain vehicles by individuals of specified ages; prohibiting specified individuals from operating all–terrain vehicles unless specified requirements related to all–terrain vehicle safety training are met; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

ED, § 13-518 and TR, § 21-1213 - added

SB0549 - SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Senator Dyson. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/5 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/3 Third Reading Passed (47-0)
- 4/10 Returned Passed

House Action

- 4/2 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/9 Re-referred Environmental Matters
- 4/10 Hearing 4/10 at 1:00 p.m.
Hearing cancelled
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/7 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/9 Third Reading Passed (129-2)**

Purpose: Declaring policy statements and findings relating to forests; revising provisions of law relating to the protection of forestry practices from specified private actions; establishing a Sustainable Forestry Council; altering the uses of specified funds; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to consider specified priorities when allocating the State’s share of Program

Open Space funds; authorizing the transfer of specified responsibilities from the Department of the Environment to the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 66B, AG, BOP, CJ, NR, and SF, Various Sections - amended and added

SB0553 - CHESAPEAKE BAY PHOSPHOROUS REDUCTION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/5 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/17 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/18 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (44-0)

House Action

- 3/20 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/4 Third Reading Passed (123-12)

Purpose: Establishing labeling requirements for lawn fertilizer on or after April 1, 2011; prohibiting a person from selling or distributing lawn fertilizer that is not low phosphorous fertilizer on or after April 1, 2011; requiring specified manufacturers to reduce specified phosphorous levels by April 1, 2011; prohibiting specified manufacturers from exceeding specified phosphorous levels under specified circumstances; requiring specified reports; authorizing the Department of Agriculture to adopt regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, §§ 6-201 and 6-210 - amended and § 6-222 - added

SB0554 - CHESAPEAKE BAY NITROGEN REDUCTION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/5 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education and Environmental Affairs
- 3/18 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
- 3/19 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 3/24 (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted

- Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted (25-20)
- Special Order 3/25 (Senator Pinsky) Adopted
- 3/25 Floor Committee Amendment (Education Health and Environmental Affairs) Special Order 3/26 (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
- 3/26 Floor Committee Amendment (Education Health and Environmental Affairs) Motion Recommit to Committee (Senator Pipkin) Rejected (17-30)
- Floor Committee Amendment (Education Health and Environmental Affairs) Adopted (30-15)
- Floor Amendment (Senator Stoltzfus) Rejected (22-24)
- Floor Amendment (Senator Brinkley) Rejected (20-27)
- Floor Amendment (Senator Glassman) Adopted (28-19)
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/28 Third Reading Passed (24-23)
- Motion Reconsider Third Reading (Senator Exum) Rejected (22-25)

House Action

- 3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
- Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/10 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/5 Favorable Report Adopted
- Second Reading Passed
- 4/6 Floor Amendment (Delegate Jennings) Rejected (43-87)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Stifler) Rejected (44-88)
- Motion vote previous question (Delegate Cane) Adopted
- Third Reading Passed (90-46)**

Purpose: Prohibiting the installation of an on-site sewage disposal system unless the system utilizes nitrogen removal technology; requiring the Department of the Environment to assist homeowners in paying for specified costs; and establishing a penalty for a specified violation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-1108 - added

SB0555 - BIOMASS AND BIOFUELS – IN-STATE PRODUCTION INCENTIVES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Middleton, et al. Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/5 First Reading Finance & Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments
- Committee Amendment Adopted
- Special Order later today (Senator Harris) Adopted
- Favorable with Amendments

- Special Order 4/13 (Senator Harris) Adopted
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
- Floor Committee Amendment (Finance) Adopted
- Floor Amendment (Senator Harris) Adopted
- Floor Amendment (Senator Jacobs) Adopted
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/10 Third Reading Passed (35-7)

Purpose: Altering provisions relating to net energy metering to allow eligible customer generators generating electricity from cellulosic feedstock to recover accrued generation credit for electricity fed back to the grid; prohibiting a person from selling or offering for sale diesel fuel in the State more than 1 year after the in-State production levels of cellulosic biofuel and biodiesel reach specified levels unless the diesel fuel contains a specified percentage of biodiesel; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PUC, § 7-306 - amended and BR, § 10-304.2 - added

SB0581 - NATURAL RESOURCES – ROADSIDE TREES – PROTECTION AND ENFORCEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Senator Frosh, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments
- Committee Amendment Adopted
- Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
- Floor Amendment (Senator Peters) Adopted
- Floor Committee Amendment (Education Health and Environmental Affairs) Adopted
- Floor Amendment (Senator Garagiola) Adopted
- Special Order 3/25 (Senator Brinkley) Adopted
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/27 Third Reading Passed (43-2)

House Action

- 3/24 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 4/1 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/10 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/4 Favorable Report Adopted
- Second Reading Passed
- 4/5 Third Reading Passed (131-2)**

Purpose: Authorizing a county or municipality to adopt a local law or ordinance for the planting, care, and protection of roadside trees and to issue a stop work order under specified circumstances; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to authorize a county or municipality to enforce specified provisions of State law under specified circumstances; prohibiting a county or municipality from issuing a building permit under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, §§ 5-403, 5-404, and 5-406 and TR, § 8-614 - amended

SB0583 - PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES – GENERATING STATIONS – WIND

Sponsor/Status: Senator Edwards. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance

Purpose: Repealing a provision that exempts a specified person from having to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a generating station that produces electricity from wind under specified circumstances; repealing a provision that requires a person to obtain approval from the Public Service Commission prior to any construction of a generating station that produces electricity from wind under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

PUC, § 7-207.1 and Chapter 163 of the Acts of 2007, § 4 - amended

SB0585 - PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES – WIND GENERATING STATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Edwards. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance

2/25 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Repealing a requirement that a specified wind-powered electric generating station be land-based in order for the person constructing the generating station to be exempt from having to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PUC, § 7-207.1 - amended

SB0588 - DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING – ADVISORY ROLE TO MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Authorizing the Department of Planning to act only as an advisory agency with respect to a county or municipality.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
SF, § 5-302 - amended

SB0597 - SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS AND PAWNBROKERS – ELECTRONIC REPORTING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Conway, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/23 First Reading Economic Matters
- 3/28 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Special Order later today (Delegate George) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Delegate George)
Special Order 4/10 (Delegate Vaughn) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Delegate George) Rejected (44-89)
Third Reading Passed with Amendments (132-1)

Purpose: Requiring specified secondhand precious metal object dealers and pawnbrokers to submit specified records to specified law enforcement units electronically by the end of each business day; requiring the Department of State Police and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation jointly to report to specified committees of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
BR, § 12-304 - amended

SB0598 - VEHICLE LAWS – ACCIDENTS RESULTING IN DEATH – APPEARANCE IN COURT FOR TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Zirkin. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Requiring a person who receives a traffic citation for a violation that contributed to an accident that resulted in the death of another to comply with the notice to appear in court contained in the citation by appearance in person.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 26-204 - amended

SB0606 - ENVIRONMENT – PRIVATELY LICENSED SANITARIANS – SOIL PERCOLATION TESTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Haines, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/23 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 4/1 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Providing that a county or local health department may not prohibit a person from directly hiring or scheduling a privately licensed sanitarian to conduct a soil percolation test; requiring the privately licensed sanitarian to notify the county or local health department that a soil percolation test will be conducted, and to allow their representative to observe the test; and requiring a county or local health department to accept the test under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1104 - amended

SB0614 - TRANSPORTATION – BALTIMORE CORRIDOR TRANSIT STUDY – RED LINE AREA

Sponsor/Status: Senator Gladden. Assigned to: Finance

- 2/6 First Reading Finance
- 2/11 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/16 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
- 3/18 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Madaleno) Adopted
- 3/19 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/23 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/21 First Reading Environmental Matters
3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/1 Third Reading Passed (119-15)

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transit Administration from acquiring any real property, during fiscal years 2008 through 2013, for construction of the Baltimore Corridor Red Line transit project if the acquisition would result in residential displacement; altering the period during which the Administration shall conduct a specified study; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Chapters 2 and 3 of the Acts of 2006 Special Session, § 1 - amended

SB0617 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT – DEPOSITS OF UNEXPENDED OR SURPLUS MONEY

Sponsor/Status: Senator DeGrange, et al. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation
3/2 Hearing 3/16 at 2:00 p.m.
3/12 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
3/24 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
3/26 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
3/28 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
4/2 Re-referred Appropriations
4/6 Favorable Report by Appropriations
3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/1 Third Reading Passed (132-2)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 **Approved by the Governor**
- Chapter 84

Purpose: Altering the conditions under which a local government may deposit unexpended or surplus money with a federally insured bank or savings and loan association; altering the

authorized deposit amounts to conform with federal deposit insurance limits; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

Art. 95, § 22-O - amended

**SB0623 - AGRICULTURE – NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANS –
CONFIDENTIALITY**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
3/6 Hearing Cancelled

**3/11 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Withdrawn**

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Agriculture to destroy file copies of nutrient management plans or summaries of the plans after 3 years from the date of filing or return the copies to the individuals for whom they were prepared; and prohibiting the Department from sharing farm-specific information from specified sources with other government agencies or members of the general public.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, § 8-801.1 - amended

**SB0625 - MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – ENERGY
CONSERVATION AND EFFICIENCY**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Frosh, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.
3/19 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
3/20 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
3/23 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Special Order 3/24 (Senator Glassman) Adopted
3/24 Floor Amendment (Senator Glassman) Rejected (18-28)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/26 Third Reading Passed (45-2)

House Action

3/23 First Reading Environmental Matters

- 4/1 Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/9 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (129-2)**

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to adopt the International Energy Conservation Code as part of the Maryland Building Performance Standards; altering the time at which the Department is required to adopt each subsequent version of the Standards to 9 months after issuance; authorizing the Department to adopt specified modifications of the building code as part of the Standards; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PS, §§ 12-501, 12-503, 12-504(a), and 12-505(a)(1) - amended

SB0630 - VEHICLE LAWS – DISTRACTED DRIVING – PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Senator Glassman. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from driving a motor vehicle in an inattentive manner resulting in the unsafe operation of the motor vehicle, where the inattention is caused by the person engaging in specified preoccupying activities; providing that a violation of the Act is not a moving violation for the purpose of assessing points; authorizing a police officer to enforce the Act only as a secondary offense; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-901.3 - added

SB 649 - TRANSPORTATION – MARYLAND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYSTEM OPERATIONS FUND – TRANSPORT BY PRIVATELY OWNED HELICOPTER

Sponsor/Status: Senators Pipkin and Astle. Assigned to: Finance

- 2/6 First Reading Finance
- 2/11 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2/25 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/27 Favorable Report by Finance
Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

3/28 Third Reading Failed (22-24)

Purpose: Adding reimbursement of operators of private helicopter companies for costs of emergency medical transport under specified circumstances as an authorized use of money in the

Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund; requiring the State Emergency Medical Services Board to adopt regulations and protocols; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 13-955 - amended

SB0658 - POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS – GOVERNMENT IMPOSED RESTRICTIONS ON INCOME PRODUCING REAL PROPERTY – FISCAL IMPACT STUDY

Sponsor/Status: Senator Peters, et al. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

- 2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 2/25 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 4/1 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/31 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

Purpose: Requiring a local government to request a specified study from the Governor before enacting an ordinance or adopting a regulation that imposes rent restrictions or affordability requirements on specified residential property; requiring the Governor to direct a State entity to perform the study; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
Art. 24, § 19-105 - added

SB0665 - VEHICLE LAWS – REQUIRED SECURITY – INCREASE IN MINIMUM AMOUNTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Garagiola, et al. Assigned to: Finance

- 2/6 First Reading Finance
- 2/18 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/16 Unfavorable Report by Finance Withdrawn**

Purpose: Increasing the minimum amounts of required security for the payment of claims for bodily injury or death arising from a motor vehicle accident.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TR, § 17-103 - amended

SB0666 - NATURAL RESOURCES – NO NET LOSS OF FOREST POLICY – FOREST CONSERVATION ACT

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pinsky, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted
Special Order 3/26 (Senator Middleton) Adopted
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Middleton) Adopted (33-14)
Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Harris) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/28 Third Reading Passed (43-1)

House Action

- 3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/9 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (108-23)**

Purpose: Reducing the threshold acreage of land under a proposed subdivision plan above which the Forest Conservation Act applies; repealing specified exemptions from the requirements of the Forest Conservation Act for cutting or clearing trees in a public utility right-of-way; authorizing the acquisition of an off-site protective easement for temporarily protected forested areas as a mitigation technique to meet afforestation or reforestation requirements; and altering the fee-in-lieu contribution required under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 5-104 - added, § 5-1603(f) - repealed, and Various Sections - amended

SB0668 - VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS, DISTRIBUTORS, AND FACTORY BRANCHES – PROHIBITED ACTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Raskin, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/11 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs
- 3/25 Favorable
Special Order 3/27 (Senator Della) Adopted

- 3/27 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/28 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

House Action

- 3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (136-0)**

Purpose: Establishing that a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch may not take specified actions through an affiliate; requiring a sales objective or other program for measuring the performance of vehicle dealers to be fair and based on specified factors under specified circumstances; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from denying specified benefits to a dealer under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 15-207, 15-208, 15-211, and 15-212.1 - amended and § 15-212.2 - added

SB0672 - ENVIRONMENT – STORMWATER MANAGEMENT – STORMWATER USER CHARGE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Raskin, et al. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

- 2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments
Laid Over (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment Adopted
Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted (23-22)
Floor Amendment (Senator Kittleman) Rejected (14-32)
Floor Amendment (Senator Kittleman) Rejected (18-29)
Special Order later today (Senator Glassman) Adopted
- 3/26 Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/28 Motion Returned Second Reading (Senator Robey) Adopted
Special Order 3/31 (Senator Robey) Adopted
- 3/29 Motion place bill back on Third Reading (Senator Robey) Adopted
Third Reading Failed (18-29)**

Purpose: Requiring each county or municipality to establish a stormwater user charge; establishing the purpose of a stormwater user charge; requiring a county or municipality to collect a stormwater user charge and use it to fund specified stormwater management activities; requiring a county or municipality to set the amount of a residential stormwater user charge in a specified manner; requiring a county or municipality to set the amount of a commercial stormwater user charge in a specified manner; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 4-202 - amended

SB0674 - MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – EASEMENTS – INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Greenip. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation to report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the percentage of easements inspected in each county over a specified time period; requiring the Foundation to adopt regulations and procedures that require each county to inspect easements in the county in accordance with specified requirements; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
AG, §§ 2-506, 2-508.1, and 2-509(a) - amended

SB0678 - TASK FORCE TO STUDY ALTERNATIVE ENERGY GENERATION IN MARYLAND

Sponsor/Status: Senator Gladden
2/6 First Reading Finance
2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Unfavorable Report by Finance

Establishing a Task Force to Study Alternative Energy Generation in Maryland; establishing the membership and staffing of the Task Force; providing for the election of a chair of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation, but authorizing specified reimbursement for specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified issues; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
PUC, § 7-213 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB0685 - VEHICLE LAWS – FLEEING OR ELUDING POLICE – PENALTIES AND FORFEITURE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Robey. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/10 Hearing Cancelled

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings Withdrawn

Purpose: Altering penalties for offenses relating to fleeing or eluding police; authorizing a law enforcement officer to seize a vehicle that is used to commit offenses relating to fleeing or eluding police; establishing a rebuttable presumption, for purposes related to forfeiture of a vehicle, that the registered owner of a vehicle was the driver at the time a specified offense relating to fleeing and eluding police was committed; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 21-904 and 27-101(p) - amended and § 27-115 - added

SB0686 - HIGH PERFORMANCE BUILDINGS ACT – APPLICABLE TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAPITAL PROJECTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Robey, et al. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation

2/25 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation

3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/28 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

4/2 Re-referred Appropriations

4/7 Hearing 4/8 at 3:00 p.m.

4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Appropriations

4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/8 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (135-1)

4/10 House Refuses to Recede

Conference Committee Appointed ...

Delegates Proctor, Bohanan, and Bronrott

Purpose: Making the High Performance Buildings Act applicable to community college capital projects that receive State funds; and making the Act applicable to specified capital projects that have not initiated a Request for Proposal on or before July 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SF, § 3-602.1 - amended

SB0692 - VEHICLE LAWS – DISPOSITION OF TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Middleton

2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring persons who receive traffic citations for offenses that are not punishable by incarceration to, within 30 days, waive the right to trial and pay the fine, request a specified hearing, or elect to stand trial; altering the traffic citations for which the District Court or a circuit court are required to issue a notice to appear; authorizing the District Court to notify the Motor Vehicle Administration of the failure of a person to comply with a citation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2010

TR, §§ 26-201 and 26-204 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB0701 - VEHICLE LAWS – STOLEN REGISTRATION PLATES, REGISTRATION CARD, OR VALIDATION TABS – WAIVER OF FEE FOR REPLACEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Senator Klausmeier, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Hearing cancelled

Hearing 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to waive the fee for specified replacement registration plates, replacement registration cards, or replacement validation tabs if the registration plates, registration card, or affixed validation tabs were stolen and the owner of the vehicle submits proof that a police report regarding the theft was filed in a timely manner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 13-952 - amended

SB0723 - COMMISSION ON COMMUTER RAIL GOVERNANCE AND FUNDING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Madaleno. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/2 Hearing 3/16 at 2:00 p.m.

3/16 Hearing cancelled

Unfavorable Report by Budget and Taxation Withdrawn

Purpose: Establishing a Commission on Commuter Rail Governance and Funding; requiring the Governor to designate the Commission chair; providing for the Commission membership and staffing; prohibiting Commission members from receiving compensation, but authorizing expense reimbursement, as specified; requiring the Commission to report its findings and

recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly, by January 1, 2010; and terminating the Act at the end of June 30, 2010.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0724 - TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS – REIMBURSEMENT TO OWNERS OF REAL PROPERTY FOR LOSS OF RENTAL INCOME

Sponsor/Status: Senator Madaleno. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring a displacing agency to make a monthly payment to an owner of rental real property that is adjacent to a transportation construction site for loss of rental income under specified circumstances; requiring a person, for each month the person seeks payment under this section of the Act, to petition the displacing agency for payment and to prove loss of income; and limiting the amount of the monthly payment that may be made to a person under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

RP, § 12-204.1 - added

SB0732 - DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING – REFUSAL TO TAKE A BLOOD OR BREATH TEST – PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Senator Raskin, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Hearing cancelled

3/26 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings Withdrawn

Purpose: Prohibiting a person who is detained for specified alcohol– or drug–related driving offenses from knowingly refusing to take a specified blood or breath test if the person was detained previously for specified alcohol– or drug– related driving offenses and refused to take a blood or breath test; and providing that a violation is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than 1 year or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 21-902.2 and 27-101(cc) - added

SB0735 - VEHICLE LAWS – MANDATORY USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM

Sponsor/Status: Senator Raskin, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings

3/31 Favorable with Amendments

- Special Order 4/3 (Senator Della) Adopted
- 4/1 Favorable with Amendments
- Special Order 4/6 (Senator Della) Adopted
- 4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
- Floor Amendment (Senator Zirkin)
- Special Order later today (Senator Zirkin) Adopted
- 4/3 **Floor Amendment (Senator Zirkin) Withdrawn**
- Floor Amendment (Senator Della) Adopted**
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments**
- 4/4 **Third Reading Passed (47-0)**

House Action

- 4/3 **First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations**

Purpose: Altering the Motor Vehicle Administration’s authority to establish an Ignition Interlock System Program to require the Administration to establish the Program; requiring rather than authorizing the Administration to establish a protocol for the Program by specified regulations; requiring individuals who are granted probation for an alcohol–related driving offense to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for specified periods of time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-404.1(b) and (f)(1) - amended

SB0741 - MOTOR VEHICLES – DRIVER’S LICENSE EXAMINATION – IN– TRAFFIC DRIVING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

- 2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to include an in–traffic driving component in an examination given to determine the qualifications of an applicant for an original driver’s license or a driver’s license for a class of driver’s license higher than that which the applicant currently holds; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-110 - amended

SB0753 - TRANSPORTATION – INTERCOUNTY CONNECTOR – ELIMINATION OF FUNDING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin, et al. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

- 2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Governor to include a specified appropriation to the Transportation Trust Fund under specified circumstances; prohibiting the Department of Transportation and the

Maryland Transportation Authority from financing the Intercounty Connector; requiring the Authority to retire specified bonds secured by a pledge of future federal aid in a specified manner; repealing provisions of law concerning the financing of the Intercounty Connector; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 3-216(g) - added and § 4-321 - amended and Chapter 567 of the Acts of 2008, § 3 - amended

SB0754 - VEHICLE LAWS – SCHOOL BUSES – PROHIBITION ON PERMITTING SITTING ON FLOOR OR STANDING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Hearing Cancelled

Hearing 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Prohibiting a person who is responsible for pupils on a school bus from permitting any pupil to stand while the bus is in motion; prohibiting a person who is responsible for pupils on a school bus from permitting any pupil to sit on the floor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1118 - amended

SB0763 - INDOOR AIR QUALITY – SEPARATION OF ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION FUNCTIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Jacobs. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

2/11 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Prohibiting a person who conducts an indoor air quality assessment at a property from performing specified remediation work at the property; authorizing the Maryland Home Improvement Commission to impose a civil penalty on a person who violates the Act; and defining terms.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

BR, § 8-618 - added

SB0765 - NATURAL RESOURCES POLICE – MINIMUM STAFFING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Dyson. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Governor to include in the annual proposed State budget for the Department of Natural Resources an appropriation for a minimum number of natural resources

police officer positions; requiring that funding for natural resources police officer positions come from designated sources; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0766 - VEHICLE LAWS – PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR REQUIREMENT FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDERS – EXCEPTIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Astle, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

4/6 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Providing specified exceptions to the prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without specified protective headgear; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to study the effect of the Act on motorcycle injuries and fatalities during the first 2 years that the Act is in effect and to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2011; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1306 - amended

SB0771 - PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES – WIND TURBINES – PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Edwards. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance

2/25 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance

3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/29 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

3/28 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

4/8 Re-referred Economic Matters
Hearing 4/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Public Service Commission and the Department of the Environment to develop jointly specified general performance standards for wind-powered electric generating turbines erected in the State; and requiring the Commission to adopt the general performance standards by regulation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PUC, § 7-213 - added

**SB0773 - WIND-POWERED ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES –
DECOMMISSIONING AND RESTORATION – SURCHARGE, BOND OR OTHER
SECURITY, AND FUND**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Edwards. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance

2/25 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/30 Unfavorable Report by Finance

Purpose: Requiring the Public Service Commission to establish a surcharge on wind- powered electric generating facilities; requiring the Comptroller to collect the revenue from the surcharge and deposit it into the Maryland Wind-Powered Electric Generating Facility Decommissioning and Restoration Fund; authorizing a wind-powered electric generating facility to post a bond or other security acceptable to the Commission in lieu of the surcharge; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PUC, §§ 7-213 and 7-214 - added

SB0788 - ENTERPRISE ZONES – COUNTY TAX CREDITS

Purpose: Senator Madaleno. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing a county to allow, by law, a business entity that is not eligible for a specified tax credit to claim a credit against a county tax for improvements to properties located in an enterprise zone; requiring the governing body of a county to specify the county tax the credit applies to and the process of application for the credit and to provide for the amount of the credit; authorizing the county to cap the amount of credits issued for any year, make the credit refundable, and provide for the recapture of the credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

EC, § 5-710 - added

**SB0793 - VEHICLE LAWS – MOTOR SCOOTERS – LICENSING, TITLING,
REGISTRATION, AND INSURANCE**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Klausmeier, et al. Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

2/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

2/11 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Hearing Cancelled

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring a motor scooter in the State to be titled and registered by the Motor Vehicle Administration; requiring an operator of a motor scooter in the State to be licensed and insured; providing for the registration classification of motor scooters; establishing an annual registration fee for motor scooters; providing that specified vehicle equipment and inspection requirements do not apply to motor scooters; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 11-135, 11-176, 13-403, 13-954, 16-104.2(d), 22-101(e)(1),
23-101(i)(3), and 23-206.2(c) - amended and Various Sections - added

SB0797 - MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – USE OF CREDIT HISTORY IN RATING POLICIES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Della. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance

2/18 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report Finance

Purpose: Prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from rating a risk based, in whole or in part, on the credit history of an applicant or insured in any manner; repealing provisions of law authorizing an insurer to use the credit history of an applicant or insured to rate a new policy of private passenger motor vehicle insurance subject to specified limitations and requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

IN, § 27-501(e-2) - amended

SB0810 - NATURAL RESOURCES – OYSTER SHELL PURCHASE PROGRAM – FAIR MARKET VALUE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Colburn. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

2/11 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health & Environmental Affairs

3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/26 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/23 First Reading Environmental Matters

4/1 Hearing 4/8 at 1:00 p.m.

4/10 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters

4/4 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/5 Third Reading Passed (131-0)

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Natural Resources, in consultation with the Oyster Advisory Commission and the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission, to set the annual fair market value the Department will pay for oyster shells and their transportation and placement under the Oyster Shell Purchase Program; requiring the Department to adopt regulations and implement the requirement; and repealing a specified oyster shell price ceiling.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
NR, § 4-1019.2 - amended

SB0828 - ENVIRONMENT – INDEPENDENT AUDIT – USE OF STATE MONEY BY NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs & Budget and Taxation

2/11 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

4/9 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Requiring a nongovernmental organization that receives State money for a purpose authorized or required under the Environment Article to employ an independent certified public accountant licensed to practice in the State to conduct an annual audit of the nongovernmental organization's books and financial records as the books and records relate to the organization's use of State money; requiring the nongovernmental organization to submit a certified copy of the annual audit to the Governor and the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 1-205 - added

SB0841 - ENVIRONMENT – LANDFILLS – METHANE TESTING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

2/11 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment to conduct a study of specified landfills for the potential to use methane emissions for electricity generation; authorizing the Department to determine the procedures and methods of each study; and requiring the Department to report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, the House Environmental Matters Committee, and the Maryland Energy Administration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-215 - amended

SB0853 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING TASK FORCE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Garagiola. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/12 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing a Maryland Transportation Infrastructure Funding Task Force; requiring the Task Force to review and evaluate current State funding for the Maryland Transportation Trust Fund; specifying the membership and staffing for the Task Force; prohibiting Task Force members from receiving compensation, except for reimbursement of expenses, as specified; requiring the Task Force to report findings and recommendations; terminating the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0856 - MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – GREEN JOBS WORKFORCE TRAINING PROGRAM

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pugh, et al. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance
2/18 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
3/16 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/20 Third Reading Passed (43-0)

House Action

3/20 First Reading Economic Matters
3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.

4/3 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Establishing the Green Jobs Workforce Training Program; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to administer the Program; requiring the Administration to consult regularly with the Governor's Workforce Investment Board, the Maryland Clean Energy Center, and the Department of Business and Economic Development concerning the activities of the Program; stating the purpose of the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SG, §§ 9-2101 through 9-2106 - added

SB0866 - COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF LARGE TRUCK TRAFFIC ON THE CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Pipkin. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance
2/11 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.
4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
4/4 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/5 Third Reading Passed (46-1)

House Action

4/3 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

Purpose: Establishing a Commission to Study the Impact of Large Truck Traffic on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and specifying its membership, chair, and staffing; prohibiting Commission members from receiving compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to study specified matters and report findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a specified date; terminating the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0878 - SMART GROWTH – VISIONS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Sponsor/Status: Senators Harrington and Frosh. Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

2/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering the visions for land use plans; establishing performance standards to measure the achievement of the visions; requiring a plan to be designed to allow a local jurisdiction to meet specified performance standards on or before October 1, 2018; requiring a local jurisdiction to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Department of Planning by October 1, 2012, that the plan will achieve the performance standards by 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 66B, EN, and SF, Various Sections - amended and Art. 66B, §§ 1.00(i), 3.05(g) and (h), and 3.07.1 - added

SB0890 - MARYLAND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT TRANSPORTATION FUND

Sponsor/Status: Senator Jones. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance

2/11 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

3/5 Hearing Cancelled

4/8 Unfavorable Report by Finance Withdrawn

Purpose: Establishing the Maryland Community Enhancement Transit-Oriented Development Fund for specified purposes; providing that the Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund administered by the Secretary of Housing and Community Development; providing for the contents and uses of the Fund; authorizing financial assistance to be provided to qualified recipients in specified areas from the Fund in specified manners; requiring the Secretary to provide financial assistance from the Fund in consultation with specified persons; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HS, §§ 6-501 through 6-505 - added

SB0891 - TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAYS – LIGHTING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Forehand. Assigned to: Finance

2/6 First Reading Finance

2/11 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Finance

Purpose: Authorizing the State Highway Administration or a political subdivision to install or replace a specified luminaire for highway lighting only if it determines that the safety concerns to be addressed by the lighting cannot be addressed by specified alternative means; authorizing the Administration, a political subdivision, or an electric company to install or replace a specified luminaire for highway lighting only with a new luminaire that meets specified requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 8-609.2 - added

SB0894 - TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND PROTECTION ACT

Sponsor/Status: Senator Mooney. Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

2/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/12 Hearing Cancelled

Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the transfer or diversion of funds from the Transportation Trust Fund except under specified circumstances; requiring the Governor to make a specified declaration if funds are transferred or diverted from the Transportation Trust Fund; and requiring the enactment of legislation providing for a specified repayment plan before funds are transferred or diverted from the Transportation Trust Fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, § 3-217 - added

SB0899 - VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS – DEDUCTION OF ACCUMULATED POINTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Haines. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/11 First Reading Senate Rules

2/18 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings

2/25 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/19 Hearing Cancelled

4/2 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings Withdrawn

Purpose: Authorizing an individual who has accumulated 2 or more points on the individual's driving record to request the Motor Vehicle Administration to deduct 2 points from the

individual's driving record if the individual attends a specified driver improvement program or driver safety program; prohibiting the Administration from deducting more than 2 points from an individual's driving record in a 2-year period; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-404 - amended

SB0913 - DRUNK DRIVING – ADMINISTRATIVE PER SE OFFENSE –ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION – IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM

Sponsor/Status: Senator Zirkin. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/13 First Reading Senate Rules
2/18 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings
2/25 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring a police officer to advise a person that the person may elect under specified circumstances to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program of the Motor Vehicle Administration instead of requesting an administrative hearing if the person takes a test that indicates an alcohol concentration of at least 0.08; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-205.1(b)(3)(vii) and (n)(4) - amended

SB0915 - WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY – FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

Sponsor/Status: Senator Forehand, et al. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/13 First Reading Senate Rules
2/18 Re-referred Budget and Taxation
3/4 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/28 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
4/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
4/9 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/4 Third Reading Passed (132-0)

Action after passage in Senate and House

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 111

Purpose: Amending the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact in order to comply with federal requirements; increasing the number of Directors on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board to eight, including two federal Directors, one of whom shall to be a regular passenger of the bus or rail service of the Authority; providing for the appointment of the federal Directors; providing for the appointment of alternates for the federal Directors; establishing an Office of the Inspector General within the Authority; etc.

CONTINGENT

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, §§ 10-204 Title III Article III Section 5 and 9 and Article VII Section 18, and 10-205 - amended

SB0916 - VEHICLE LAWS – IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM – PARTICIPATION AFTER REQUEST FOR A HEARING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Zirkin. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/16 First Reading Senate Rules

2/18 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings

2/25 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing a person who has submitted a specified request for a hearing on the administrative offense of refusing to take a certain breath or blood test or taking a test that indicates an alcohol concentration of 0.15 or more to submit a written revocation of the request for a hearing and elect to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program under specified conditions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 16-205.1(f)(9) - added and §§ 16-205.1(n)(4) and 16-404.1(b)(3)(iv) - amended

SB0917 - AGRICULTURE – FERTILIZERS AND PESTICIDES – RELEASE REPORTING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Lenett, et al. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/16 First Reading Senate Rules

2/26 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Requiring the Department of Agriculture to adopt specified regulations regarding reporting on the release of fertilizers and pesticides; declaring specified findings of the General Assembly; requiring a person that releases fertilizer and pesticide to submit a specified report to the Department; requiring the report to contain specified information; requiring the report to cover

the preceding calendar year and be submitted annually beginning on March 1, 2011; requiring the Department to establish the format of the report; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

AG, §§ 14-101 through 14-403 - added

SB0922 - BAY RESTORATION FUND – SEPTIC SYSTEMS – NITROGEN REMOVAL PROJECTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Simonaire, et al. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/16 First Reading Senate Rules

2/26 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/24 Hearing cancelled

**3/27 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Withdrawn**

Purpose: Prohibiting a local government from prohibiting homeowners that receive specified grant funding for projects related to the removal of nitrogen from onsite sewage disposal systems from placing an addition or accessory structure on the homeowner's dwelling unit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-1605.2(i)(10) - added

SB0925 - CHARTER AND CODE HOME RULE COUNTIES – COUNTY EMPLOYEES – FURLOUGHS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Rosapepe. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/16 First Reading Senate Rules

2/26 Re-referred Finance
Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.

3/26 Unfavorable Report by Finance

Purpose: Authorizing a charter or code home rule county to provide for the furlough of county employees by ordinance; and prohibiting a charter or code home rule county from providing for the furlough of county employees by resolution.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 25A, § 5(Q) - amended

SB0927 - CHARTER AND CODE HOME RULE COUNTIES – FURLOUGH OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES – PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Rosapepe. Assigned to: Senate Rules

Purpose: Authorizing a charter or code home rule county to provide for the furlough of county employees; placing specified conditions on a charter or code home rule county's authority to impose a furlough on specified public safety officers.

2/16 First Reading Senate Rules

2/26 Re-referred Finance

Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Finance Withdrawn

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 25A, § 5(Q) - amended

**SB0931 - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – LOCAL
GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM –CAPITAL RESERVE
FUNDS**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Currie. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/16 First Reading Senate Rules

2/26 Re-referred Budget and Taxation

3/4 Hearing 3/16 at 1:00 p.m.

3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation

3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/28 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

4/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters

Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m.

4/10 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters

4/4 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/5 Third Reading Passed (126-5)

Purpose: Authorizing the Community Development Administration to establish capital reserve funds in connection with the financing of infrastructure projects; providing that the fund may only be used to pay the principal of, and premium and interest on, obligations secured by the fund; providing that if the fund balance is below a specified minimum the Administration shall replenish the fund; requiring, under specified circumstances, that the Administration request the Comptroller advance funds to replenish the fund; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

CONTINGENT

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HS, § 4-233.1 - added

**SB0932 - CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
ADMINISTRATION – LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING
PROGRAM**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Currie. Assigned to: Senate Rules

- 2/16 First Reading Senate Rules
- 2/26 Re-referred Budget and Taxation
- 3/4 Hearing 3/16 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/28 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/2 Re-referred Appropriations
- 4/6 Favorable Report by Appropriations
- 3/31 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/1 Third Reading Passed (133-1)**

Purpose: Authorizing the creation of State Debt in the total principal amount up to \$2,000,000, the proceeds to be used as grants or loans to the Community Development Administration to replenish capital reserve funds created under the Local Government Infrastructure Financing Program; stating the intent of the General Assembly that this bond authorization be excluded from the Capital Debt Affordability limit and that any amount provided be reimbursed, within 5 years, to the Annuity Bond Fund; authorizing the Comptroller to advance funds; etc.

CONTINGENT

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

**SB0939 - VEHICLE LAWS – INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES – WIDTH OF
PARKING SPACES**

Sponsor/Status: Senator Mooney. Assigned to: Senate Rules

- 2/17 First Reading Senate Rules
- 2/26 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings
- 3/4 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Providing, in specified parking lots, that the parking spaces designated for the use of individuals with disabilities may not be narrower than the parking spaces in the parking lot that are not designated for the use of individuals with disabilities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1006 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB0955 - PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES – ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION, AND DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAMS – SELECTION OF HVAC SERVICE PROVIDERS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Klausmeier. Assigned to: Senate Rules

- 2/18 First Reading Senate Rules
- 2/26 Re-referred Finance
Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
- 3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/29 Third Reading Passed (44-1)

House Action

- 3/28 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/7 Re-referred Economic Matters
- 4/8 Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Economic Matters
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed (137-0)**

Purpose: Requiring an electric company under specified circumstances to include procedures for the competitive selection of heating, ventilation, air conditioning, or refrigeration service providers in a specified plan to achieve specified electricity savings and demand reduction targets; requiring each electric company to submit to the Public Service Commission a specified updated plan or a specified statement on or before July 1, 2009; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

PUC, § 7-211(a), (h), and (i) - amended

SB0967 - ENVIRONMENT – BAY RESTORATION FUND – AUTHORIZED USES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Colburn. Assigned to: Senate Rules

- 2/23 First Reading Senate Rules
- 3/5 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/9 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/29 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

- 3/28 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 4/6 Re-referred Environmental Matters

4/7 Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing that specified fee revenue collected for the Bay Restoration Fund may be used, under specified circumstances, to pay the cost of connecting properties served by onsite sewage disposal systems to existing municipal wastewater facilities that achieve enhanced nutrient removal.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1605.2(h)(2) and (3) - amended

SB0972 - ENVIRONMENT – ON–SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS - REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Senator Rosapepe. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/23 First Reading Senate Rules
3/11 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs
3/13 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
3/16 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
3/31 Hearing cancelled

**4/6 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Withdrawn**

Purpose: Requiring persons who are engaged in the business of inspecting on–site sewage disposal systems under specified circumstances to make specified certifications to the Department of the Environment; requiring persons who are engaged in the business of inspecting on–site sewage disposal systems under specified circumstances to complete a specified registration; requiring a county, by January 1, 2011, to adopt a specified on–site sewage disposal management plan; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, Various Sections - amended and §§ 9-505(a)(20) and 9-11A-01 through 9-11A-05 - added

SB0979 - WIND ENERGY – TAX INCENTIVES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Mooney. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/23 First Reading Senate Rules
3/5 Re-referred Budget and Taxation
3/11 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Exempting from the sales and use tax the sale of specified wind energy equipment; exempting from the State and local property tax specified wind energy property; requiring that specified wind energy property be assessed at no more than a specified value; defining terms; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TG, § 11-230 and TP, § 7-242 - amended

SB0981 - PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES – NET ENERGY METERING

Sponsor/Status: Senator Garagiola. Assigned to: Senate Rules

- 2/23 First Reading Senate Rules
- 3/5 Re-referred Finance
Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

House Action

- 3/23 First Reading Economic Matters
- 3/28 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Economic Matters
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed (136-1)**

Purpose: Altering the definition of “eligible customer-generator” to mean a customer who uses a specified biomass, solar, or wind generating facility primarily to offset all or part of the customer’s own electricity requirements.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
PUC, § 7-306(a) - amended

SB1005 - PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – INDIVIDUALS AT LEAST 65 YEARS OLD

Sponsor/Status: Senator Muse

- 2/27 First Reading Senate Rules. Assigned to: Senate Rules
- 3/11 Re-referred Budget and Taxation
Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the governing body of each county and each municipal corporation to grant a property tax credit on real property that is owned by and used as the principal place of residence of an individual who is at least 65 years old; providing for the amount of the credit for specified tax years; applying the Act to all tax years beginning after June 30, 2009; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
TP, § 9-110 – added

SB1009 - ENVIRONMENT – INCINERATOR PERMITS – LIMITATION ON ISSUANCE NEAR NATIONAL PARKS

Sponsor/Status: Senators Mooney and Frosh. Assigned to: Senate Rules

2/27 First Reading Senate Rules

3/23 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs

3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.

4/6 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a permit to a person to construct, modify, operate, or use an incinerator in the State if the incinerator is or would be located within 1 mile of a National Park.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 2-401 - amended

SB1011 - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION BONDS – ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

Sponsor/Status: Senator DeGrange, et al. Assigned to: Senate Rules

3/2 First Reading Senate Rules

3/5 Re-referred Budget and Taxation

3/11 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/30 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation

3/27 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

3/29 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

House Action

3/28 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

4/6 Re-referred Appropriations

4/9 Favorable Report by Appropriations

4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/4 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Purpose: Authorizing the Department of Transportation to sell its consolidated transportation bonds at a public, competitive sale or at a private, negotiated sale, as determined by the Secretary of Transportation in accordance with specified criteria; providing that a public, competitive sale is the preferred method of issuance; providing for the form of notice of a public sale; providing for the publication of the notice of sale; repealing a publication requirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, §§ 3-202 and 3-203 - amended

SB1021 - ENVIRONMENT – DISHWASHING DETERGENT CONTAINING PHOSPHORUS – PENALTIES

Sponsor/Status: Senator Harrington. Assigned to: Senate Rules
3/4 First Reading Senate Rules

Purpose: Altering the penalty for selling, manufacturing, or distributing specified household dishwashing detergents after July 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1505 - amended

SB1022 - DRIVING WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR IMPAIRED BY A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE – FIRST OFFENSE – MINIMUM SENTENCE

Sponsor/Status: Senators Mooney and Muse. Assigned to: Senate Rules
3/4 First Reading Senate Rules
3/11 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings
Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing a minimum penalty of 2 days imprisonment for a first violation of driving while under the influence of alcohol or driving while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance; requiring that the minimum penalty of imprisonment imposed under the Act include confinement on a Saturday and a Sunday; prohibiting a court from imposing a penalty less than the minimum penalty; and prohibiting a court from suspending any part of the minimum penalty.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 27-101(k) - amended

SB1066 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS – AUTHORIZATION AND OVERSIGHT

Sponsor/Status: Senators DeGrange and Kasemeyer. Assigned to: Senate Rules
3/19 First Reading Senate Rules
Referred Senate Rules
Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Senator DeGrange) Adopted
3/23 Re-referred Budget and Taxation

Purpose: Authorizing the Department of General Services, the State Department of Transportation, and the Maryland Transportation Authority to enter into specified agreements related to soliciting and entering into public-private partnerships after providing specified information and notice and opportunity for review and comment to specified budget committees; prohibiting the Board of Public Works from approving a specified master development agreement for the State Center facility located in Baltimore City; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
SF, § 10A-101 - added and TR, § 4-205(c)(1) - amended and § 4-205(c)(3) - repealed

SB1068 WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE FUTURE CONSERVATION OF THE STATE'S OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND

Sponsor/Status: Senators Middleton and Rosapepe

- 3/24 First Reading Senate Rules
Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Senator Middleton) Adopted
Referred Senate Rules
- 3/31 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/11 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs**

Purpose: Establishing a workgroup to study the future conservation of the State's open space and farmland; providing for the membership of the workgroup; requiring the workgroup to make specified evaluations and determinations; requiring the workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a specified date; and providing for the termination of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Uncodified

Assigned to: Senate Rules

HOUSE BILLS

HB0004 – SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH INSURANCE STIMULUS ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Manno. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

- 7/1 Pre-filed
- 1/14 First Reading Health and Government Operations
- 1/28 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Health and Government Operations
- 3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

- 3/23 First Reading Finance
- 3/24 Hearing 3/26 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
- 4/10 Senate Refuses to Recede
Conference Committee Appointed ...
Senators Middleton, Kelley, and Kittleman**

Purpose: Altering the subsidy requirements for small employers and the employees of small employers under the Small Employer Health Benefit Plan Premium Subsidy Program; and altering the eligibility requirements for small employers under the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

IN, §§ 15-12A-02 and 15-12A-03 - amended

HB0005 - STATE GOVERNMENT – OPERATION OF STATE BUILDING COOLING SYSTEMS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Cardin. Assigned to: Economic Matters and Health and Government Operations

7/3 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Economic Matters & Health and Government Operations

2/18 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

3/25 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Requiring that State building cooling systems be regulated to maintain an inside air temperature that is no colder than 78 degrees Fahrenheit; requiring that State building cooling systems, during specified periods on level 1 and level 2 load reduction days, be regulated to maintain inside air temperatures that are no colder than specified minimum temperatures; providing for a delayed effective date for specified provisions of the Act; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SG, §§ 10-1301 through 10-1305 - added and § 10-1301 - amended

HB0006 - MALFUNCTIONING TRAFFIC LIGHT ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Ali. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

7/7 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/23 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring a driver who is approaching a traffic control signal with no visible lighted indication to reduce speed and prepare to yield to other vehicles in or approaching the intersection under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-202(m) - added and amended

HB0010 - OIL SANDS RESPONSIBILITY ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Manno. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations.

7/16 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Health and Government Operations

1/21 Hearing 1/29 at 2:00 p.m.

1/28 Hearing cancelled

2/17 Unfavorable Report by Health and Government Operations Withdrawn

Purpose: Prohibiting the State from using motor fuel produced from unconventional sources of oil to fuel State vehicles.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
SF, § 14-409 - added

**HB0014 - ENVIRONMENT – BROMINATED FLAME RETARDANTS –
DECABROMINATED DIPHENYL ETHER – PROHIBITION**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hubbard. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

7/31 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/23 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.
2/23 Favorable with Amendments by Environmental Matters
2/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
2/26 Third Reading Passed (122-12)

Senate Action

2/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Prohibiting, on or after January 1, 2010, the manufacturing, processing, selling, or distributing of a new product or a flame–retardant part of a new product that contains a specified amount of decabrominated diphenyl ether; and providing that the prohibition does not apply to specified processing of specified recyclables, specified manufacturer replacement service parts or other products, specified vehicles, or specified products or parts for use in vehicles.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2010
EN, §§ 6-1201 and 6-1202 - amended

**HB0019 - MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AND TAXING DISTRICTS – FINANCIAL
AUDITS**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Frick. Assigned to: Appropriations

9/2 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Appropriations
1/28 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.
3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Appropriations
3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/5 Third Reading Passed (138-0)

Senate Action

3/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation
3/11 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.
4/2 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

Purpose: Altering the threshold amount of revenues a municipal corporation or taxing district created by the State may receive while remaining eligible to have a specified audit conducted every 4 years instead of annually; altering the threshold amount of expenditures a special taxing district created by and situated in a county may make before being subject to specified auditing rules and regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
Art. 19, § 40 - amended

HB0023 - JUNK DEALERS AND SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS – REQUIRED RECORDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Kullen. Assigned to: Economic Matters

9/15 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Economic Matters
2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.
2/6 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
2/11 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 2/17 at 1:00
2/12 Hearing Cancelled
2/18 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/27 Third Reading Passed (129-3)

Senate Action

3/29 First Reading Senate Rules
4/7 Re-referred Finance
4/8 **Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)**
4/10 **Senate Refuses to Recede**
Conference Committee Appointed ...
Senators Astle, Della, and Glassman

Purpose: Altering the requirements for records that all junk dealers and scrap metal processors must keep for each purchase of specified junk or scrap metal in the State; providing that the Act applies to specified automotive dismantlers and scrap metal processors; providing for the applicability of the record keeping requirements; providing for the form and content of the records; requiring that specified records be kept electronically; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

BR, §§ 12-102(a), 17-1001(e), 17-1010, and 17-1011 - amended

HB0025 - VEHICLE LAWS – MOTOR SCOOTERS – PROHIBITED ROADS FOR OPERATION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Olszewski. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

9/17 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/23 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Altering regulations relating to the operation of motor scooters on roadways so that a person may not operate a motor scooter on a roadway where the posted maximum speed limit is more than 30 miles an hour and may not operate a motor scooter at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-1205.1 - amended

HB0027 - TRANSPORTATION – INTERCOUNTY CONNECTOR – ELIMINATION OF FUNDING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Frush. Assigned to: Appropriations

10/3 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Appropriations
2/4 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
2/18 Hearing Cancelled
2/25 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/28 Unfavorable Report by Appropriations

Purpose: Requiring the Governor to include a specified appropriation to the Transportation Trust Fund under specified circumstances; prohibiting the Department of Transportation and the Maryland Transportation Authority from financing the Intercounty Connector; requiring the Authority to retire specified bonds secured by a pledge of future federal aid in a specified manner; repealing provisions of law concerning the financing of the Intercounty Connector; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 3-216(g) - added and § 4-321 - amended and Chapter 567 of the Acts of 2008, § 3 - amended

HB0028 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – CLOSURE OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

10/3 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/23 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting the Secretary of Transportation from closing to the public all or part of a transportation facility of the Maryland Transportation Authority without prior approval from the Authority unless the Secretary provides a specified certification to the Governor and provides specified notice to the public; requiring the Secretary to notify and allow participation by members of the General Assembly in deliberations, as specified; providing an exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 4-401 - amended

HB0029 - TASK FORCE TO STUDY TRAFFIC ACCIDENT CLEARANCE PROCEDURES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

10/3 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/23 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Establishing a Task Force to Study Traffic Accident Clearance Procedures; providing for the membership and duties of the Task Force; providing for the staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation; authorizing a member of the Task Force to receive reimbursement for specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to report to the General Assembly by December 31, 2009; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0033 - PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS – DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FUNDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Holmes and Hubbard. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

10/16 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Authorizing a municipal corporation to use up to 100 percent of its future annual apportionment funds from Program Open Space for development projects, provided that up to 20 percent of those funds may be used for capital renewal.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NR, § 5-905(c) - amended

HB0034 - ENVIRONMENT – IMPERVIOUS SURFACE – STATEWIDE DATABASE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Cardin. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

10/20 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/23 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.
2/16 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the Department of Planning, to develop and maintain a database of impervious surface in the State; requiring a county to report the amount of impervious surface in the county to the Department of the Environment in a specified manner; and authorizing the Department of the Environment to adopt regulations. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1623 - added

HB0036 - VEHICLE LAWS – REDUCTION OF SPEED LIMITS BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES – ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC INVESTIGATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Haddaway and Eckardt. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

10/20 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/23 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.
2/16 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Authorizing a county, municipality, or other public body that has the authority to enact laws and adopt local police regulations relating to traffic to decrease a maximum speed limit in a business district or a residential district to not less than 25 miles an hour without conducting an engineering and traffic investigation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-803(a) - amended

HB0038 – MARYLAND BOTTLED GAS BUYING GROUP

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Manno. Assigned to: Economic Matters

10/21 Pre-filed
1/14 First Reading Economic Matters
3/24 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Establishing the Maryland Bottled Gas Buying Group as a nonprofit public corporation to negotiate the lowest-cost supply of bottled gas on behalf of its members; specifying the intent of the General Assembly that the Buying Group become fiscally self-sustaining; establishing a Board of Directors of the Buying Group; establishing a Maryland Bottled Gas Buying Group Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
SG, §§ 9-2101 through 9-2110 - added

HB0049 - AGRICULTURE – SPECIALTY FERTILIZERS – “NO PHOSPHATE FERTILIZER”

Sponsor/Status: Delegate G. Clagett. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

11/17 Pre-filed

1/14 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/23 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

4/9 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Requiring specified specialty fertilizer to be marked with specified words in a specified manner; prohibiting a person from using, selling, manufacturing, or distributing for use or sale in the State a specified specialty fertilizer on or after April 1, 2010; and defining terms.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, §§ 6-201 and 6-210 - amended and § 6-222 - added

HB0067 - VEHICLE LAWS – RULES OF THE ROAD – USE OF SIGNALS WHEN CHANGING LANES

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Feldman and Bronrott. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

1/16 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/23 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters

2/17 Favorable Report Adopted

Special Order 2/18 (Delegate McDonough) Adopted

2/18 Floor Amendment (Delegate McDonough) Rejected (33-101)
Second Reading Passed

2/20 Motion vote previous question (Delegate Malone) Adopted
Third Reading Passed (107-26)

Senate Action

2/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

3/18 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

4/9 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from moving a vehicle right or left on a roadway in order to change lanes unless the person gives an appropriate signal in a specified manner; making stylistic changes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-604 - amended

HB0068 - INCOME TAX EXEMPTION AMOUNTS – BLIND AND ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Holmes. Assigned to: Ways and Means.

1/16 First Reading Ways and Means
1/21 Hearing 2/3 at 11:00 a.m.
1/23 Hearing cancelled
1/28 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Increasing the amount allowed as a deduction for additional exemptions under the Maryland income tax for individuals who, as of the last day of the taxable year, are blind or are at least 65 years old, from \$1,000 to \$3,200 for tax years 2009 and beyond; making the additional exemption amounts subject to specified reductions based on the federal adjusted gross income of the individual; applying the Act to tax years beginning after December 31, 2008; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TG, § 10-211 - amended

HB0072 - MOTOR VEHICLES – USE OF TEXT MESSAGING DEVICE WHILE DRIVING – PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate F. Turner, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from using a text messaging device to write, send, or read a text message while operating a motor vehicle.

1/19 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/23 Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.
3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/28 Third Reading Passed (133-2)

Senate Action

3/30 First Reading Senate Rules
4/7 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings
4/8 Motion Recede (Senator Frosh) Adopted
Committee Amendment Withdrawn
Senate Recede
Third Reading Passed (43-4)

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1124.1 - added

HB0077 - BUSINESS REGULATION – MOTOR FUEL – BELOW-COST SALES – ENFORCEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Miller and Rudolph. Assigned to: Economic Matters

1/19 First Reading Economic Matters

2/4 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Allowing a retail gasoline dealer against whom a complaint is filed alleging a violation of the below-cost sales law to produce documents relating to the complaint within a 3-day period; providing for the imposition of sanctions in a specified manner, including a civil penalty; and making a stylistic change.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

BR, § 10-304.1 - amended

HB0078 - BUSINESS REGULATION – MOTOR FUEL – BELOW COST SALES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Miller. Assigned to: Economic Matters

1/19 First Reading Economic Matters

2/4 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

2/24 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Repealing provisions of law that prohibit a retail service station dealer from selling motor fuel below cost; repealing specified provisions of law that require the Comptroller, on receipt of a complaint, to conduct a specified investigation within a specified amount of time; repealing penalties; and repealing the exemption for motor fuel sold by a retail service station dealer from the provisions of the Sales Below Cost Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

BR, §§ 10-301 and 10-316 - amended and § 10-304.1 - repealed and CL, § 11-402 – amended

HB0090 – DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – BAY RESTORATION FUND AND BAY RESTORATION FEE

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment). Assigned to Environmental Matters.

1/20 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/23 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters

2/24

Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

2/26

Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

2/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

- 3/4 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/2 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/3 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Action after passage in House and Senate

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 127

Purpose: Curing a possible title defect in Chapter 666 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008, by reenacting, without amendments, provisions of law to provide that the Bay Restoration Fee may not be reduced as long as bonds are outstanding, money in the Bay Restoration Fund may not revert or be transferred to a special fund, a committee is required to make a recommendation about the Fee, and the Fund may be used for projects related to the removal of nitrogen from onsite sewage disposal systems and cover crop activities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0103 – DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – SHELL DREDGING – PERMIT APPLICATION.

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Eckardt, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

- 1/22 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/23 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 2/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 2/26 Third Reading Passed (134-1)

Senate Action

- 2/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Floor Amendment (Senator Stone) Rejected (8-38)**
Third Reading Passed with Amendments (46-1)

Purpose: Altering from December 1, 2008, to July 1, 2009, the date by which the Department of Natural Resources is required to apply to the Department of the Environment and the United States Army Corps of Engineers for permits to dredge buried oyster shells under specified circumstances; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

Chapter 325 of the Acts of 2008, § 2 - amended

**HB0128 - ENVIRONMENT – DISPOSAL OF COAL COMBUSTION BYPRODUCTS–
ZONING AND LAND USE REQUIREMENTS**

Sponsor/Status: Cecil County Delegation. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

1/23 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring a permit to install, materially alter, or materially extend a coal combustion byproduct disposal facility; prohibiting the Secretary of the Department of the Environment from issuing a permit to install, materially alter, or materially extend a site for the disposal of coal combustion byproducts unless requirements have been met in a specified sequence and the Department of the Environment has received a specified written statement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 9-204(a), (c), (d), (e), and (h) and 9-210(a) - amended and §§
9-201(a-1) and (a-2) and 9-210(a-1) - added

**HB0129 - VEHICLE LAWS – HORSE RIDING – HELMET REQUIREMENT FOR
MINORS**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

1/23 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring minors to wear a helmet when riding a horse on a public roadway; establishing fines for violations of the helmet requirement; and requiring that educational materials be provided to minors who violate the helmet requirement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-104 - amended

**HB0130 - STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS ON
HIGHWAY RIGHTS–OF–WAY**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

1/23 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Providing for original jurisdiction of the District Court for specified actions; prohibiting a person without authorization from the State Highway Administration from placing a sign within the right–of–way of a State highway; clarifying that such signs may be removed by the State Highway Administration or other designated agencies; authorizing the State Highway Administration or a specified county or municipal corporation government to recover specified costs; providing for civil penalties; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

CJ, § 4-401(16) and (17) and TR, § 8-605 - amended and CJ, § 4-401(18) - added

HB0135 - ENVIRONMENT – SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION – ZONING AND LAND USE REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Cecil County Delegation. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

- 1/23 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/24 Third Reading Passed (137-1)

Senate Action

- 4/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Motion Rules Suspended Referred (Senator Klausmeier) Adopted

4/11 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a sewage sludge utilization permit for a site unless the site meets all county zoning and land use requirements or ordinances; and prohibiting the Department from issuing a sewage sludge utilization permit for a site that will be on land adjacent to a municipality.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-233 - amended

HB0136 - SPECIALTY FERTILIZER – SURCHARGE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Pena–Melnik. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

- 1/23 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/2 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Imposing a surcharge at a rate of \$2 on each ton of specialty fertilizer distributed in the State; exempting commercial fertilizer used for research or experimental purposes from the surcharge; requiring specified distributors to pay the surcharge before distributing specialty fertilizer in the State; requiring the Department of Agriculture to distribute the revenue from the surcharge to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

AG, §§ 6-204, 6-207, and 6-208 and NR, § 8-2A-02 - amended

HB0139 – TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND – DEDICATED HIGHWAYS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Krebs, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means
1/23 First Reading Ways and Means
1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Providing that specified taxes, fees, charges, and revenues deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund may be used only for specified purposes; repealing obsolete provisions; repealing provisions relating to the transfer of specified funds from the Transportation Trust Fund to a special fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TR, § 3-216 - amended

HB0140 - TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND PROTECTION ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Krebs, et al. Assigned to: Appropriations
1/23 First Reading Appropriations
2/4 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/27 Unfavorable Report by Appropriations

Purpose: Prohibiting the transfer or diversion of funds from the Transportation Trust Fund except under specified circumstances; requiring the Governor to make a specified declaration if funds are transferred or diverted from the Transportation Trust Fund; and requiring the enactment of legislation providing for a specified repayment plan before funds are transferred or diverted from the Transportation Trust Fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TR, § 3-217 - added

HB0143 - BALTIMORE CITY – NEWLY CONSTRUCTED DWELLING PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – MODIFICATION AND REAUTHORIZATION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Anderson, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means
1/23 First Reading Ways and Means
1/28 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.
3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/5 Third Reading Passed (139-0)

Senate Action

3/6 First Reading Budget and Taxation
3/11 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.
4/2 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/6 Third Reading Passed (45-0)

Purpose: Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to establish maximum limits for a specified property tax credit; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to establish specified application periods; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to establish a one– time application amnesty period subject to specified restrictions; altering the termination date applicable to specified provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
TP, § 9-304(d) - amended

HB0152 - VEHICLE LAWS – LEAVING THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT RESULTING IN BODILY INJURY OR DEATH – MANDATORY ARREST

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Kach and Olszewski.. Assigned to: Judiciary.

1/23 First Reading Judiciary
Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Requiring a police officer to arrest with or without a warrant a person who the police officer has probable cause to believe has committed a specified offense of leaving the scene of an accident resulting in bodily injury or death.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 26-202, 26-203, and 26-402 - amended

HB0153 - VEHICLE LAWS – ACCIDENTS RESULTING IN DEATH – APPEARANCE IN COURT FOR TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Kach and Olszewski. Assigned to: Judiciary. .

1/23 First Reading Judiciary
Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Requiring a person who receives a traffic citation for a violation that contributed to an accident that resulted in the death of another to comply with the notice to appear in court contained in the citation by appearance in person.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 26-204 - amended

HB0154 - ENVIRONMENT – GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Morhaim, et al. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

1/23 First Reading Health and Government Operations
1/28 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.
1/30 Re-assigned Health and Government Operations & Appropriations
2/4 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. (Health & Government Operations)
3/17 Favorable Report by Health and Government Operations

- 3/18 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (132-1)

Senate Action

- 3/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/2 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)**

Purpose: Expanding the responsibilities of the Green Building Council to include providing recommendations on how to expand green building in the State; removing specified obsolete dates; and expanding the scope of specified recommendations that the Council is required to make relating to the implementation of a higher performance building program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
SF, § 4-809(f) and (g) - amended

HB0172 - VEHICLE LAWS – RECKLESSLY CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCIDENT IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE – PENALTIES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate G. Clagett, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary.

- 1/26 First Reading Judiciary
- 1/23 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Establishing that a person is guilty of the misdemeanor of recklessly contributing to an accident in a highway work zone if the person is driving a motor vehicle in a specified manner in a highway work zone and the driving contributes to an accident; establishing the number of points to be assessed for recklessly contributing to an accident in a highway work zone; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 16-402(a)(23), 21-901.1, and 26-405 - amended and § 27-101(cc) - added

HB0176 - BAY RESTORATION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Lafferty, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

- 1/26 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/23 Hearing 2/4 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Special Order 4/9 (Delegate McConkey) Adopted
- 4/3 Floor Amendment (Delegate McConkey) Rejected (38-87)
Motion Special Order 4/10 (Delegate Elmore) Rejected (38-93)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Kipke) Rejected (49-81)
Floor Amendment (Delegate Haddaway) Rejected (47-78)

- Floor Amendment (Delegate Eckardt) Rejected (41-89)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Dwyer) Rejected (37-93)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Dwyer) Rejected (38-89)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Smigiel) Rejected (43-90)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Impallaria) Rejected (37-94)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Eckardt) Rejected (39-92)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Smigiel) Rejected (40-88)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Dwyer) Rejected (35-89)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Impallaria) Rejected (38-90)
- Floor Amendment (Delegate Elmore) Rejected (39-90)
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Motion vote previous question (Delegate Cane) Adopted
- Third Reading Passed (85-48)

Senate Action

- 4/6 First Reading Senate Rules
- 4/11 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Prohibiting the installation of an on-site sewage disposal system unless the system utilizes nitrogen removal technology; requiring the Department of the Environment to assist homeowners in paying for specified costs; and establishing a penalty for a specified violation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1108 - added

HB0194 - LAND USE – DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate G. Clagett, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 1/26 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/2 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Increasing from 5 to 10 years the time period after which a specified development rights and responsibilities agreement will be void under specified circumstances; and providing that a specified local jurisdiction may not enforce specified laws, rules, regulations, or policies governing the use, density, or intensity of specified real property that is subject to development rights and responsibilities agreements unless specified circumstances exist.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
Art. 66B, § 13.01 - amended

HB0195 - VEHICLE LAWS – PROOF OF LAWFUL PRESENCE ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate George, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

- 1/26 First Reading Judiciary
- 2/6 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring specified documentation be provided certifying that an individual is either a United States citizen or is lawfully present in the United States in accordance with federal law before the Motor Vehicle Administration may issue an identification card, a driver's license, or a moped operator's permit; requiring an applicant for a driver's license who is not eligible for a Social Security number to provide the Administration with specified documentation;etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 12-301(a) and (i), 16-103.1, 16-104.2, 16-106(c), and 16-115(a) - amended

HB0199 - MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – PUBLIC HEARINGS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/26 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/30 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.
3/17 Favorable with Amendments by Environmental Matters
3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

3/23 First Reading Finance
3/27 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
4/2 Favorable Report by Finance
4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transit Administration from changing a bus timetable or bus or rail service until a public hearing is held on the matter; altering the time period during which the Administration may implement a policy change on specified matters; requiring the Administration to revise, correct, and reissue notice to persons, as specified; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 7-506 - amended

HB0203 - FOREST CONSERVATION FUND – AUTHORIZED USES – STREET SIDE SHRUB PLANTING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Frush, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/27 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
2/13 Hearing Cancelled

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Authorizing State and local authorities to use the Forest Conservation Fund to fund the planting of shrubs and similar plants along streets and in medians if the Department of Natural Resources determines that the planting of trees is not practicable in these areas.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
NR, § 5-1610 - amended

HB0206 - MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION STUDY – NEW WEST SILVER SPRING COMMUTER RAIL

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Carr and Waldstreicher. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/28 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/30 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to conduct a specified study related to adding a new Maryland Area Regional Commuter (MARC) Train station on the Brunswick Line in Montgomery County in the vicinity of Walter Reed Annex, the community of Linden, and Forest Glen Seminary; and to submit a specified report to the Governor and the General Assembly by a specified date.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0207 - JUNK DEALERS AND SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS – REQUIRED RECORDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sophocleus, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters

1/28 First Reading Economic Matters

2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

2/6 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

2/11 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

2/12 Hearing cancelled

2/18 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/28 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Altering the requirements for records that junk dealers and scrap metal processors must keep for each purchase or sale of specified junk or scrap metal in the State; providing for the applicability of the record-keeping requirements; providing for the form and contents of the records; requiring that specified records be kept in electronic form; requiring junk dealers and scrap metal processors to hold specified items for a specified period of time; establishing penalties; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

BR, §§ 12-102(a), 17-1001(e), 17-1010, and 17-1011 - amended and §
17-1001(g) - added

HB0220 - MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS – ANNEXATIONS – SMALL PARCELS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/28 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/30 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

- 2/23 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 2/24 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 2/26 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

- 2/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)**

Purpose: Providing that specified consent provisions and specified referendum provisions do not apply to a proposed annexation by a municipal corporation of a parcel that is 5 acres or less and is part of a lot that contains at least one other parcel that is already within the municipal corporate area under specified circumstances; prohibiting a municipal corporation from annexing more than 25 acres; and terminating the Act at the end of September 30, 2011.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
Art. 23A, § 19(t) - added

HB0221 - BAY RESTORATION FUND – DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Elliott and Stull. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 1/28 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Decreasing from 60 percent to 40 percent the amount disbursed from a specified portion of the Bay Restoration Fund for purposes relating to onsite sewage disposal systems; increasing from 40 percent to 60 percent the amount disbursed from a specified portion of the Bay Restoration Fund to fund cover crop activities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1605.2(h)(2) - amended

HB0226 - STATE CAPITAL PROJECTS – HIGH PERFORMANCE BUILDINGS – GREEN GLOBE RATING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Beitzel, et al. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations

- 1/28 First Reading Health and Government Operations & Appropriations
- 2/4 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Unfavorable Report by Health and Government Operations

Purpose: Altering the definition of “high performance building” to include a building that achieves at least a two globe rating according to the Green Globes Program as adopted by the Green Building Initiative.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
SF, § 3-602.1(a)(2) – amended

HB0236 - ENVIRONMENT – REDUCING LEAD RISK IN HOUSING – LEAD PAINT DUST TESTING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Oaks, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/28 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/30 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering the requirements for property owners to satisfy specified lead risk reduction standards relating to specified changes in occupancy in specified properties; requiring specified lead risk reduction standards to be performed in accordance with local fire code standards; and making conforming changes. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, §§ 6-815(a) and (b), 6-816, and 6-819(a) - amended and § 6-819(g) - repealed

HB0259 - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MONITORING AND TESTING – REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate King, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/30 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

2/9 Hearing Cancelled

2/11 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

3/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

3/26 Hearing at 1:00 p.m.

4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/3 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)

Purpose: Authorizing the Department of the Environment to factor in costs incurred by a county in conducting specified environmental health monitoring or testing; requiring the Department to reimburse a county from the Maryland Clean Water Fund for specified costs;

limiting reimbursement to specified circumstances and specified amounts; requiring the Department to use the Maryland Clean Water Fund for the reimbursement of counties for specified environmental health monitoring or testing costs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 1-304 - added and § 9-320 - amended

HB0268 - WELFARE TO WORK – JOB SKILLS ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GREEN JOBS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Rosenberg, et al. Assigned to: Appropriations and Economic Matters

1/29 First Reading Appropriations & Economic Matters
2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.
2/11 Hearing cancelled
2/25 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Appropriations
3/31 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/1 Third Reading Passed (109-23)
4/11 House Concur - Senate Amendments
Third Reading Passed (122-13)
Passed Enrolled

Senate Action

4/3 First Reading Senate Rules
4/11 Re-referred Finance
Hearing 4/13 at 1:00 p.m.
4/13 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
4/10 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
Motion two readings same day Const/Rule 24 (Senator Kelley) Adopted
Third Reading Passed with Amendments (44-1)

Purpose: Requiring that the Secretary of Budget and Management develop and implement a plan for hiring current and former Family Investment Program recipients; requiring that the job skills enhancement program include job training for employment in energy efficiency and renewable energy industries; authorizing the Secretary of Human Resources to access specified federal stimulus dollars for job training; requiring that procurement subcontracts are appropriate for the execution of hiring agreements; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
HS, SF, and SG, Various Sections - amended and Chapter 486 of the Acts of 1999, § 4 - repealed

HB0271 - VEHICLE LAWS – “ROAD RAGE” OFFENSES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Stein, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

1/29 First Reading Judiciary
Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/2 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Establishing the vehicle offense of maliciously violating specified provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law; establishing maximum penalties for convictions for the offense under specified circumstances; and providing for procedures concerning a specified penalty.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 21-901.3 and 27-101(cc) – added

HB0290 - AGRICULTURE – AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION EASEMENTS – RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION

Sponsor/Status: Southern Maryland Delegation. Assigned to: Environmental Matters and Economic Matters

1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters & Economic Matters

2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing a landowner whose land is subject to an agricultural preservation easement to use the land for the generation of power or heat from solar or wind energy under specified circumstances; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL
AG, § 2-513(b)(1) - amended

HB0293 - VEHICLE LAWS – REPEATED DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING OFFENSES – SUSPENSION OF LICENSE

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration) (Task Force to Combat Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Alcohol), et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

1/29 First Reading Judiciary

1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary

4/6

Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/8 Third Reading Passed (137-0)

Senate Action

4/8 First Reading Senate Rules

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to suspend for a specified period the driver's license of a person who has been convicted of specified drunk and drugged driving offenses within a specified time period after a conviction for specified drunk and drugged driving offenses.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-205(e)(2), (3), and (4) - amended

HB0294 - SMART, GREEN, AND GROWING – LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING – PLANNING VISIONS

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to:
Environmental Matters

- 1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (111-21)

Senate Action

- 3/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/4 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)**

Purpose: Revising the State Economic Growth, Resource Protection, and Planning Policy and visions; requiring local jurisdictions to submit a specified report every 2 years on or before July 1 to the Department of Planning; requiring the Department to publish a specified report every 2 years on or before January 1; authorizing specified local jurisdictions to establish a program for the transfer of development rights within a priority funding area for specified purposes; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
SF, § 5-7A-01 - amended and Art. 66B, §§ 1.01, 10.01, and 11.01 - amended

HB0295 - SMART, GREEN, AND GROWING – ANNUAL REPORT – SMART GROWTH MEASURES AND INDICATORS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANNING VISIONS

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to:
Environmental Matters

- 1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Special Order 3/28 (Delegate Weldon) Adopted
- 3/25 Floor Amendment (Delegate Beitzel) Rejected (45-86)

Special Order later today (Delegate Walkup) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Delegate Beitzel) Rejected (45-90)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/26 Third Reading Passed (95-42)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental
Affairs
4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Committee Amendment (Education Health and Environmental Affairs)
Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/3 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (45-2)

Purpose: Requiring specified local planning commissions to include information about smart growth measures and indicators in a specified report; exempting counties or municipal corporations that issue fewer than 50 building permits per year; requiring exempt jurisdictions to provide specified documentation; requiring the Department of Planning to adopt specified regulations; requiring the Task Force on the Future for Growth and Development to make specified recommendations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

Art. 66B, §§ 1.02, 2.13, and 3.09 - amended and § 3.10 - added

**HB0297 - SMART, GREEN, AND GROWING – SMART AND SUSTAINABLE
GROWTH ACT OF 2009**

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to:
Environmental Matters

1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/21 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Committee Amendment Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/22 Third Reading Passed (122-16)

Senate Action

3/26 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/6 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/4 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Defining a specified term applicable to the exercise by a local jurisdiction of land use, water and sewer plan review, growth allocation, and annexation powers to require consistency with a local comprehensive plan under specified circumstances; altering the applicability of specified land use provisions to specified local jurisdictions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

Art. 66B, Various Sections - amended and § 1.02 - added

HB0300 - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AND SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS – TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

1/29 First Reading Ways and Means
2/11 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/25 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Budget and Taxation
3/31 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
4/9 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
4/5 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (45-1)

Purpose: Authorizing specified political subdivisions to finance the costs of public improvements in or supporting specified transit-oriented developments in specified manners; providing for the establishment and termination of specified special taxing districts; providing for the uses of specified special funds established for the improvement and maintenance of specified transit-oriented developments through tax increment financing and other specified mechanisms; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

Art. 23A, Art. 24, and EC, Various Sections - added and amended

HB0301 - CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING – PROBATION BEFORE JUDGMENT

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration) (Task Force to Combat Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Alcohol), et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

1/29 First Reading Judiciary
1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary

- 3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/5 Third Reading Passed (138-0)

Senate Action

- 3/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 4/3 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Extending the period of time preceding a subsequent violation by a defendant of specified alcohol- or drug-related driving offenses during which a previous conviction or probation of the defendant for specified alcohol- or drug-related driving offenses prohibits a court from staying entry of judgment and placing the defendant on probation for the subsequent violation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
CP, §§ 6-220(d) and 6-230 - amended

HB0303 - VEHICLE LAWS – YOUNG DRIVERS – DRIVING PRIVILEGES

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to:
Environmental Matters

- 1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (133-2)

Senate Action

- 3/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 4/1 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 4/6 (Senator Kittleman) Adopted
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Judicial Proceedings) Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/3 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (34-13)
- 4/5 Senate Refuses to Recede
Conference Committee Appointed ...
Senators Frosh, Haines, and Muse

4/8 Conference Committee Report Adopted
Third Reading Passed (34-13)

Purpose: Increasing the minimum ages at which an individual may obtain a learner's instructional permit, provisional license, and full driver's license; increasing the maximum age under which an applicant for a learner's instructional permit must provide a school attendance record; altering the period after which the holder of a learner's instructional permit may take the examinations for a provisional license under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 16-103, 16-105(a) and (d), 16-108, 16-111(d), 16-113(d), 16-212, 16-213, and 21-1123 - amended and § 16-113(d-2) - added

HB 305 - VEHICLE LAWS – ALCOHOL RESTRICTION ON DRIVER'S LICENSE – PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration) (Task Force to Combat Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Alcohol), et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

- 1/29 First Reading Judiciary
- 1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary
- 3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/5 Third Reading Passed (136-0)

Senate Action

- 3/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 4/1 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/6 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)**

Purpose: Establishing specified penalties for a violation of a driver's license alcohol restriction imposed by the Motor Vehicle Administration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 16-113(j), 27-101(c)(11), and 27-102 - amended

HB0306 - INTERSTATE COMPACT ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

- 1/29 First Reading Ways and Means
- 2/4 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
- 3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/24 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

3/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/6 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/3 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Establishing, through an Interstate Compact with specified member states, the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children for specified purposes.

CONTINGENT
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
ED, §§ 7-1301 through 7-1303 - added

HB0307 - VEHICLE LAWS – TESTING OF DRIVERS INVOLVED IN FATAL OR LIFE-THREATENING ACCIDENTS

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration) (Task Force to Combat Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Alcohol), et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

1/29 First Reading Judiciary
1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Requiring a police officer to request a driver involved in a motor vehicle accident that results in death or life-threatening injury to voluntarily submit to a preliminary breath test for alcohol under specified circumstances; providing that a police officer who asks a person to voluntarily submit to a test shall advise the person that there is no sanction or consequence for refusing to submit to the test or for any result; providing that a test may be used only for specified research and statistical purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-205.3 - added

HB0312 - AQUACULTURE – SHELLFISH – LEASING

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/25 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/6 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/3 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/4 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Repealing specified restrictions, eligibility requirements, and procedures relating to leasing specified areas in specified waters of the State for the purpose of protecting, sowing, bedding, or cultivating specified shellfish; repealing specified provisions relating to revenue derived from private oyster culture; repealing a specified recording fee; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to designate a public shellfish area; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

EN, § 16-202(d) - amended and NR, Various Sections - repealed, added, and amended

HB0313 - VEHICLE LAWS – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – STATEWIDE AUTHORIZATION AND USE IN HIGHWAY WORK ZONES

Sponsor/Status: The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/29 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/30 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing in all counties of the State and in specified highway work zones the use of speed monitoring systems to enforce specified highway speed laws under specified standards and procedures; restricting the use of specified revenues generated under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

CJ, IN, SG, and TR, Various Sections - amended and TR, § 21-810 - added

HB0314 - MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE – ENERGY GENERATION PROJECTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Rudolph and the Speaker (By Request – Administration). Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environmental Matters

1/29 First Reading Economic Matters & Environmental Matters

1/30 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

2/9 Hearing Cancelled

2/18 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 pm.

3/24 Favorable Report by Economic Matters

3/21 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

3/22 Third Reading Passed (137-1)

Senate Action

3/26 First Reading Finance & Education Health and Environmental Affairs

3/27 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.

4/7 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance

4/5 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/6 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (46-1)

Purpose: Authorizing the Maryland Environmental Service to engage in energy projects and services; authorizing counties and municipalities to enter into agreements with the Service without regard to specified limitations or provisions regulating the procurement or awarding of public contracts; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NR, Various Sections - amended

HB0315 - GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Barve and the Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al.
Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environmental Matters

- 1/29 First Reading Economic Matters & Environmental Matters
- 2/20 Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
- 3/22 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Special Order 3/26 (Delegate McHale) Adopted
- 3/23 Special Order next session (Delegate McHale) Adopted
Floor Committee Amendment (Economic Matters) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Delegate O'Donnell) Rejected (32-103)
Floor Amendment (Delegate McDonough) Rejected (37-98)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/24 Motion vote previous question (Delegate Minnick) Adopted
Third Reading Passed (107-31)

Senate Action

- 3/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/13 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/8 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/9 Third Reading Passed (41-6)**

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment to publish and update an inventory of statewide greenhouse gas emissions for calendar year 2006; requiring the State to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 25% from 2006 levels by 2020; requiring the State to develop and adopt a specified plan, adopt specified regulations, and implement specified programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; altering specified requirements; providing for the termination of a specified provision of the Act; etc.

CONTINGENT
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, §§ 2-1201 through 2-1211 – added

**HB0319 - ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HIGHWAY RIGHTS-OF-WAY –
AUTHORITY TO REMOVE ILLEGAL OUTDOOR SIGNS**

Sponsor/Status: Delegates McConkey and Beidle. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/30 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Authorizing, in Anne Arundel County, any employee of a unit of State or local government to remove and dispose of an outdoor sign erected or maintained in a highway right-of-way in violation of specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 8-748 - amended

HB0323 - TEXTING WHILE DRIVING BAN OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Waldstreicher, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/30 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting the use of a wireless communication device to write, send, or read a text message while operating a motor vehicle; establishing exceptions to the prohibition; and providing that specified use of a wireless communication device does not constitute writing, sending, or reading a text message under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1124.1 - added

**HB0333 - MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION –
EASEMENT PROPERTIES – NATURAL GAS DRILLING**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Beitzel. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/30 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/25 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing a landowner whose land is subject to an agricultural land preservation easement to drill for natural gas.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, § 2-513(b)(1) - amended

HB0346 - BAY RESTORATION FUND – NITROGEN-REMOVING SEPTIC SYSTEMS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Love, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/30 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/21 Favorable with Amendments
Recommit to Committee Environmental Matters (Delegate McIntosh)

Purpose: Authorizing the use of the Bay Restoration Fund for costs incurred by local governments in inspecting projects to ensure long-term performance of nitrogen-removing septic systems funded by the Bay Restoration Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1605.2(i)(2)(ix) - amended

HB0356 - CRIMINAL LAW – RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT – USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Barnes and Frush (By Request). Assigned to: Judiciary

1/30 First Reading Judiciary
Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary Withdrawn

Purpose: Establishing that a person may not recklessly create a substantial risk of death or serious physical injury to another by driving a motor vehicle through or into a part of a building or structure that is not designed or intended to accommodate motor vehicles if the person knows or has reason to know that the building or structure is occupied; and establishing that a specified penalty applies to a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
CR, § 3-204 - amended

HB0358 - VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS – DEDUCTION OF ACCUMULATED POINTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Weir, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

1/30 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing an individual who has accumulated 2 or more points on the individual's driving record to request the Motor Vehicle Administration to deduct 2 points from the individual's driving record if the individual attends a specified driver improvement program or driver safety program; prohibiting the Administration from deducting more than 2 points from an individual's driving record in a 2-year period; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-404 - amended

HB0362 - MOVING VIOLATION POINTS ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Ali, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
1/30 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Establishing that points assessed against an individual's driving record are to be retained for a period of time that commences on the date of the conviction of the violation for which the points are assessed; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 16-407 - amended

HB 367 - MARYLAND QUIET VEHICLES AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TASK FORCE – EXTENSION AND MEMBERSHIP

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Malone. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/30 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.
2/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
2/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
2/26 Third Reading Passed (134-1)

Senate Action

2/27 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
4/1 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/6 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (44-1)

Purpose: Extending the duration of the Maryland Quiet Vehicles and Pedestrian Safety Task Force; altering the membership of the Task Force; altering the date on which the final findings and recommendations of the Task Force are due; requiring the Task Force to report its final findings and recommendations to the Governor; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
Chapters 384 and 385 of 2008, §§ 1 and 2 - amended

HB0371 - MOTOR VEHICLES – LOW SPEED VEHICLE – DEFINITION

Sponsor/Status: Charles County Delegation. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters
1/30 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Altering the defined term “low speed vehicle” to include a qualifying nonelectric vehicle.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 11-130.1 - amended

HB0375 - VEHICLE LAWS – OFF–HIGHWAY VEHICLES – TITLING AND REGISTRATION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Weir, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters

1/30 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.

2/6 Hearing Cancelled

2/16 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Creating an Off–Highway Vehicle Fund in the Department of Natural Resources; defining “off–highway vehicle”; providing for titling and registration with the Motor Vehicle Administration for off–highway vehicles; exempting specified off–highway vehicles from registration requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, §§ 5-209.1 and 5-209.2 - added and TR, Various Sections - added, amended, and repealed

HB0387 - VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVERS’ LICENSES, IDENTIFICATION CARDS, AND MOPED OPERATORS’ PERMITS – PROOF OF LEGAL PRESENCE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Malone, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/2 First Reading Judiciary

3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary

3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Special Order next session (Delegate Malone) Adopted

Special Order later today (Delegate George) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate George)

Motion vote previous question (Delegate Benson) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate George) Rejected (57-75)

Floor Amendment (Delegate Bromwell)

Motion vote previous question (Delegate Benson) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Bromwell) Rejected (60-74)

Floor Amendment (Delegate Shank) Rejected (50-76)

Motion Recommit to Committee (Delegate Kipke) Rejected (51-78)

Floor Amendment (Delegate O'Donnell) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Kach) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Dumais) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Jennings) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Frank) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Aumann) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Boteler) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Minnick) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Lafferty) Adopted

Floor Amendment (Delegate Impallaria) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate McDonough) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Shewell) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Haddaway) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Eckardt) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Elmore) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Stocksdale) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Elliott) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Krebs) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Dwyer) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Shank) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Kipke) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Schuh) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate McConkey) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Wood) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Beidle) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Kelly) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Myers) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Miller) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Bates) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate McComas) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Stifler) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Impallaria) Rejected (46-82)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Kipke) Rejected (51-79)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Sophocleus) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate George) Rejected (54-76)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate George) Adopted
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Malone) Adopted
 Motion Tabled (Delegate Dwyer) Rejected (49-86)
 Floor Amendment (Delegate Dumais) Adopted
 Second Reading Passed with Amendments
 3/26 Motion vote previous question (Delegate Cane) Adopted
 Third Reading Passed (77-60)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
 3/31 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
 4/4 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
 Second Reading Passed with Amendments
 4/5 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (35-12)
 4/8 Senate Refuses to Recede
 Conference Committee Appointed ...
 Senators Frosh, Brochin, and Haines
 Motion instruct conferees (Senator Brinkley) Rejected (14-32)
4/10 Motion limit debate (Senator Kasemeyer) Adopted (33-13)

Conference Committee Report Adopted (31-16)
Third Reading Passed (30-16)

Purpose: Adding a requirement to provide specified documentation certifying that an individual is either a United States citizen or is lawfully present in the United States in accordance with federal law to the requirements for the issuance of a driver's license, an identification card, or a moped operator's permit; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 12-301(a) and (i), 16-103.1, 16-104.2, and 16-115(a) - amended and §16-106(e)(4) - added

HB0392 - BALTIMORE COUNTY – STATE HIGHWAYS – PROHIBITION ON USE FOR SOLICITATION

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Malone and DeBoy. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/12 Third Reading Passed (137-0)

Senate Action

- 3/13 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 3/18 Hearing 3/26 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 4/5 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/6 Third Reading Passed (42-4)**

Purpose: Prohibiting, in Baltimore County, a person from standing in a roadway, median divider, or intersection to solicit money or donations from the occupant of a vehicle; and providing that the Act applies only to State highways in Baltimore County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-507(c) - amended

HB0395 - ENVIRONMENT – AMMONIA EMISSIONS FROM ANIMAL WASTE ON POULTRY FARMS – REPORTING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hubbard, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/2 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters**

Purpose: Requiring poultry farm facilities to report ammonia emissions to the Department of the Environment every 6 months; requiring the reports submitted to the Department be made available to the public; and providing for alternative methods of making reports.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, §§ 2-10A-01 and 2-10A-02 - added

HB0396 - BALTIMORE CITY – VEHICLE LAWS – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration), et al.

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing the placement of speed monitoring systems on specified highways in Baltimore City; making specified provisions of law relating to the enforcement of speed limit laws with speed monitoring systems applicable in Baltimore City; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-809 - amended

HB0408 - AUTOMOTIVE DISMANTLERS, RECYCLERS, AND SCRAP PROCESSORS – NOTICE OF VEHICLE ACQUISITION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Malone. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 1/30 Hearing 2/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/2 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/3 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/5 Third Reading Passed (137-1)

Senate Action

- 3/6 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 4/1 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/6 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)**

Purpose: Expanding the exception to the requirement that an automotive dismantler and recycler or scrap processor provide notice of vehicle acquisition to the Motor Vehicle Administration to include vehicles obtained through an out-of-state salvage certificate; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL
TR, § 15-511 - amended

HB0416 - PUBLIC SAFETY – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – ESSENTIAL GOODS AND SERVICES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Rudolph, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters.

2/2 First Reading Economic Matters
2/4 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from selling or offering to sell essential goods and services during a state of emergency for a price of more than 20% above the price charged by that person for those goods and services a specified time prior to the state of emergency; prohibiting a person from selling or offering to sell repair or reconstruction services or services used for emergency cleanup for a price of more than 20% above the price charged by that person for those services immediately prior to the state of emergency; creating an exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
PS, § 14-101(c) - amended and §§ 14-1101 through 14-1104 - added

HB0420 - ENVIRONMENT – LIMITATION OF ACTIONS – POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Love, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/2 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/4 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/23 Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/24 Third Reading Passed (132-5)
4/10 Returned Passed

Senate Action

4/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/10 Hearing 4/10 at 1:00 p.m.
4/6 Motion Rules Suspended Referred (Senator Klausmeier) Adopted
4/13 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/8 Favorable
Special Order evening session (Senator Stoltzfus) Adopted
4/9 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/10 Third Reading Passed (44-1)

Purpose: Extending to political subdivisions the 3–year statute of limitations for suits instituted seeking a civil penalty for violations of provisions of the Environment Article or any rule, regulation, order, or permit adopted or issued under the Environment Article.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 1-303 - amended

HB0426 - TRANSPORTATION – BALTIMORE CORRIDOR TRANSIT STUDY – RED LINE AREA

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Oaks, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/3 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/4 Hearing 1/17 at 1:00 p.m.
3/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/12 Third Reading Passed (126-11)

Senate Action

3/13 First Reading Finance
3/18 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.
4/2 Favorable Report by Finance
4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transit Administration from acquiring any real property, during fiscal years 2008 through 2013, for construction of the Baltimore Corridor Red Line transit project if the acquisition would result in residential displacement; altering the period during which the Administration shall conduct a specified study; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
Chapters 2 and 3 of the Acts of 2006 Special Session, § 1 - amended

HB0430 - VEHICLE LAWS – SINGLE REGISTRATION PLATE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Elliott, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/3 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/6 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/9 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue a single registration plate to all classes of vehicles; requiring that the registration plate be attached on the front of tractors and on the rear of all other vehicles; and authorizing the publisher of the Annotated Code to make specified corrections.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 13-410 and 13-411 - amended

**HB0437 - BICYCLES, MOPEDES, AND MOTOR SCOOTERS – MINORS –
PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Elliott, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/3 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/4 Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting a person who is under the age of 18 years from operating or riding as a passenger on a motor scooter unless the person is wearing protective headgear; increasing to the age of 18 years below which the operator or passenger of a bicycle is required to wear protective headgear; and clarifying that the defined term “bicycle” includes a moped.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

TR, §§ 11-104 & 21-1207.1 - amended

HB0444 - VEHICLE LAWS – TEEN DRIVER SAFETY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Malone. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Increasing the minimum ages at which an individual may obtain a learner’s instructional permit, a provisional license, or an original driver’s license; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to fingerprint an applicant for a driving instructor’s license and obtain State and national criminal history records of the applicant; repealing the 150–day time limit on the application of the prohibition against a specified holder of a provisional license; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 15-804, 15-805, 16-103, 16-105(a)(2) and (3), and 21-1123 - amended

HB0447 - LANDFILLS – DISPOSAL OF MOTOR VEHICLE OIL FILTERS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Levi, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the disposal of oil filters in landfills; authorizing the Department of the Environment to grant a waiver of this prohibition on the basis of economic hardship; and providing for a delayed effective date of October 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2010

EN, § 9-227.1 - added

**HB0449 - MARYLAND ORGANIC TRANSITION INVESTMENT PILOT PROGRAM
(MO–TIPP)**

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Manno and Sossi, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters

- Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
3/2 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
3/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
3/5 Third Reading Passed (138-0)

Senate Action

- 3/6 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/2 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Establishing the Maryland Organic Transition Investment Pilot Program in the Department of Agriculture; requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to develop and implement the Pilot Program; establishing the Organic Agriculture Development Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

AG, §§ 10-14A-01 through 10-14A-05 - added

HB0458 - STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – POSTING OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENT AND INCIDENT INFORMATION ON WEBSITE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters .
Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Sponsor/Status: Requiring the State Highway Administration to post regularly on its website summary information about traffic accidents and other traffic incidents that occur on highways in the State; and requiring the Administration to maintain the information posted on its website about traffic accidents and incidents on highways in the State in a format that incorporates specified features.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 8-208 - added

HB0470 - PUBLIC SAFETY – HANDGUN PERMITS – REPEAL OF FINDING REQUIREMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Riley, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

- 2/4 First Reading Judiciary
2/3 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/16 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Repealing the requirement that the Secretary of State Police find that a person has a good and substantial reason to wear, carry, or transport a handgun before issuing a handgun permit to the person.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
PS, § 5-306 - amended

HB0480 - PUBLIC UTILITY TREE MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Levi, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters

2/4 First Reading Economic Matters

2/11 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Requiring a public utility to prepare a tree management plan under specified circumstances; requiring a public utility to enter into an agreement with the Department of Natural Resources under specified circumstances; requiring specified programs and plans to be published in accordance with specified requirements; authorizing the Department to issue a stop-work order under certain circumstances; providing for specified penalties; authorizing the Department to adopt specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NR, §§ 5-1901 through 5-1905 - added

HB0484 - TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL REVENUE STRUCTURE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hixson, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/4 First Reading Ways and Means

2/16 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing a Task Force to Study the County and Municipal Revenue Structure; providing for the membership and duties of the Task Force; providing for the designation of a chair of the Task Force; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to provide staff for the Task Force; prohibiting members of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2009; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0491 - MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – EASEMENTS – INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Aumann, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/2 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation to report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the percentage of easements inspected in each county over a specified time period; requiring the Foundation to adopt regulations and procedures that require each county to inspect easements in the county in accordance with specified requirements; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
AG, §§ 2-506, 2-508.1, and 2-509(a) - amended

HB0492 - COMMISSION ON COMMUTER RAIL GOVERNANCE AND FUNDING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Establishing a Commission on Commuter Rail Governance and Funding; requiring the Governor to designate the Commission chair; providing for the Commission membership and staffing; prohibiting Commission members from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing expense reimbursement, as specified; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2010; and terminating the Act at the end of June 30, 2010.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0496 - VEHICLE LAWS – BICYCLES, EPAMDS, AND MOTOR SCOOTERS – RULES OF THE ROAD

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Cardin, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/4 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring that a driver of a motor vehicle, when overtaking a bicycle, an Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device (EPAMD), or a motor scooter, pass safely at a specified distance; requiring a driver of a motor vehicle to yield the right-of-way to a person who is riding a bicycle, an EPAMD, or a motor scooter in a bicycle lane; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-1209 - amended

HB0518 - VEHICLE LAWS – USE OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES WHILE DRIVING – PROHIBITIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate G. Clagett, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/5 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/6 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting a driver of a specified school vehicle from using a wireless communication device; prohibiting a holder of a learner's instructional permit or provisional driver's license who is 18 years old or older from driving a motor vehicle while using a wireless communication device; prohibiting a driver of a motor vehicle that is in motion from using the driver's hands to use a wireless communication device; providing exceptions to the prohibitions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1124.1 - added

HB0529 - ENVIRONMENT – SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION PERMIT – SEPTAGE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate G. Clagett, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/5 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/6 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Altering specified requirements for the adoption of specified regulations by the Department of the Environment; establishing requirements of septage haulers; establishing an Oversight Committee on Sewage Sludge Utilization; requiring the Department to review specified fees; authorizing the Department to reduce the fees under specified circumstances; authorizing the Department to make specified reimbursements from the Bay Restoration Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 9-201, 9-230(b), 9-242, and 9-1605.2(i)(2) - amended and §§ 9-244.1 and 9-244.2 - added

HB0532 - STATE PROCUREMENT DIESEL EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Morhaim. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

2/5 First Reading Health and Government Operations

2/11 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/10 Unfavorable Report by Health and Government Operations Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring specified State procurement contracts to include specified clauses regarding diesel emissions control equipment; requiring the State to reimburse a specified contractor a specified percentage of the cost of installing certain diesel emissions control equipment on specified construction equipment and vehicles; requiring that the reimbursement be paid from specified federal and State funds; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
SF, § 13-205 - amended and § 13-218.2 - added

HB0541 - HIGH PERFORMANCE BUILDINGS ACT – APPLICABLE TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAPITAL PROJECTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Bronrott, et al. Assigned to: Appropriations.

- 2/5 First Reading Appropriations
- 2/11 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report by Appropriations
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/25 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 3/31 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/13 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/9 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)

Purpose: Making the High Performance Buildings Act applicable to community college capital projects that receive State funds; and making the Act applicable to specified capital projects that have not initiated a Request for Proposal on or before July 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
SF, § 3-602.1 - amended

HB0545 - VEHICLE LAWS – DISPOSITION OF TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Jameson, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

- 2/5 First Reading Judiciary
- 2/4 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Requiring persons who receive traffic citations for offenses that are not punishable by incarceration to, within 30 days, waive the right to trial and pay the fine, request a specified hearing, or elect to stand trial; altering the traffic citations for which the District Court or a circuit court are required to issue a notice to appear; authorizing the District Court to notify the Motor Vehicle Administration of the failure of a person to comply with a citation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2010
TR, §§ 26-201 and 26-204 - amended

HB0546 - VEHICLE LAWS – TRANSPORTING PETS IN TRUCKS OR TRAILERS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Kelly, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/5 First Reading Judiciary

2/4 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary Withdrawn

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from transporting pets in or on a truck or trailer on a highway unless the truck or trailer is enclosed on the sides and the top in a manner that safely prevents the pet from falling, jumping, or otherwise exiting the truck or trailer or unless the pet is confined by a device designed to safely prevent the pet from falling, jumping, or otherwise exiting the truck or trailer; providing that a violation of the Act is not a moving violation for specified purposes; defining “pet”; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1121.1 - added

HB0547 - VEHICLE LAWS – ADVERTISING PRACTICES – PROHIBITED ACTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Stein, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/5 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/6 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-1)

Senate Action

3/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings

4/1 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/6 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)

Purpose: Prohibiting a vehicle dealer or an agent or employee of a dealer from stating the purchase price of a vehicle in an advertisement unless the purchase price is printed in the largest font in the advertisement, the advertisement identifies specified attributes of the vehicle, and the vehicle is currently available for sale at the price stated in the advertisement; requiring an advertisement that states specific purchase prices for a list of vehicles to state the purchase price in the appropriate column or space for each vehicle listed; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 15-313 – amended

HB0564 - VEHICLE LAWS – DISTRACTED DRIVING – PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Malone. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from driving a motor vehicle in an inattentive manner resulting in the unsafe operation of the motor vehicle, where the inattention is caused by the person engaging in specified preoccupying activities; providing that a violation of the Act is not a moving violation for the purpose of assessing points; authorizing a police officer to enforce the Act only as a secondary offense; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-901.3 - added

HB0572 - WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY – FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation). Assigned to: Environmental Matters.

2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/3 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/21 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/22 Third Reading Passed (139-0)

Senate Action

3/26 First Reading Budget and Taxation
3/30 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
4/9 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
4/5 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

Purpose: Amending the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact in order to comply with federal requirements; increasing the number of Directors on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board to eight, including two federal Directors, one of whom shall to be a regular passenger of the bus or rail service of the Authority; providing for the appointment of the federal Directors; providing for the appointment of alternates for the federal Directors; establishing an Office of the Inspector General within the Authority; etc.

CONTINGENT

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TR, §§ 10-204 Title III Article III Section 5 and 9 and Article VII Section 18; and 10-205 -
amended

HB0573 - ENVIRONMENT – FLOATING VESSEL PLATFORMS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Cane, et al

2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing a person to construct, install, operate, or maintain a floating vessel platform without having to obtain a license from the Board of Public Works or a permit from the Department of the Environment under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 16-105 - amended
Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB0592 - VEHICLE LAWS – OFF–HIGHWAY RECREATIONAL VEHICLES –
TITLING**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Kullen. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/20 Third Reading Passed (130-6)

Senate Action
3/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

Purpose: Defining “off–highway recreational vehicle”; requiring the owner of an off– highway recreational vehicle purchased on or after October 1, 2009 to apply for a certificate of title by electronic transmission; imposing an excise tax for a certificate of title issued for an off–highway recreational vehicle for which sales and use tax is not collected; providing that an off–highway recreational vehicle is not required to be inspected when ownership is transferred; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 11-140.1 & 13-102(13) - added & §§ 11-176, 13-102(11) and (12),
13-104(a), 13-108.1, 13-809, and 23-206 - amended

HB0599 - ANDREW’S LAW

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Bates, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to allow an applicant for a driver’s license or identification card to designate up to three individuals as emergency contacts if the applicant becomes incapacitated; requiring the Administration to make a notation on a driving

record or record of application for an identification card indicating the fact that an applicant has designated an emergency contact; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 12-302 - added

HB0605 - PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES – GENERATING STATIONS – WIND

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Beitzel. Assigned to: Economic Matters

2/6 First Reading Economic Matters

2/11 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Repealing a provision that exempts a specified person from having to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a generating station that produces electricity from wind under specified circumstances; repealing a provision that requires a person to obtain approval from the Public Service Commission prior to any construction of a generating station that produces electricity from wind under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
PUC, § 7-207.1 and Chapter 163 of the Acts of 2007, § 4 - amended

HB0609 - CHESAPEAKE BAY PHOSPHOROUS REDUCTION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Holmes, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 2/25

3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/26 Third Reading Passed (128-7)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/6 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/4 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Establishing labeling requirements for lawn fertilizer on or after April 1, 2011; prohibiting a person from selling or distributing lawn fertilizer that is not low phosphorous fertilizer on or after April 1, 2011; requiring specified manufacturers to reduce specified phosphorous levels by April 1, 2011; prohibiting specified manufacturers from exceeding specified phosphorous levels under specified circumstances; requiring specified reports; authorizing the Department of Agriculture to adopt regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
AG, §§ 6-201 and 6-210 - amended and § 6-222 - added

HB0614 - ENTERPRISE ZONES – COUNTY TAX CREDITS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means
2/6 First Reading Ways and Means
2/11 Hearing 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing a county to allow, by law, a business entity that is not eligible for a specified tax credit to claim a credit against a county tax for improvements to properties located in an enterprise zone; requiring the governing body of a county to specify the county tax the credit applies to and the process of application for the credit and to provide for the amount of the credit; authorizing the county to cap the amount of credits issued for any year, make the credit refundable, and provide for the recapture of the credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
EC, § 5-710 - added

HB0622 - VEHICLE LAWS – EMERGENCY AND POLICE VEHICLE AND PERSONNEL PROTECTION ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Bates, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring drivers approaching emergency or police vehicles stopped, standing, or parked on a highway and using any visual signals, except when otherwise directed by a police officer, to vacate the lane closest to the emergency or police vehicle under specified circumstances or to slow to a speed that is sufficient to ensure the safety of police officers or emergency services personnel in the vicinity of the emergency or police vehicle under specified circumstances; establishing a penalty; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-405 - amended

HB0629 - TRANSPORTATION – USED VEHICLE SALES – NOTICE OF DEFECTS AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPAIRS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Holmes. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/6 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring contracts for the sale of used vehicles to include a notice to the buyer that lists specified defects of the used vehicle sold to the buyer; requiring dealers of used vehicles to

be responsible for the cost of specified repairs to the used vehicle; specifying the repairs that must be included in the notice to the buyer; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 15-311 - amended

**HB0640 - REAL PROPERTY – RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IN FORECLOSURE
– NOTICE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/9 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/6 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.
3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

3/23 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
4/9 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings
4/5 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Action after passage in House and Senate

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 149

Purpose: Requiring a specified person authorized to make a sale of residential real property to notify the county or municipal corporation where the property is located within a specified period of time after filing an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on the property subject to the mortgage or deed of trust; and specifying information that must be provided to the county or municipal government in the notification.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
RP, § 14-126 - amended

**HB0650 - VEHICLE LAWS – MOTOR SCOOTERS – LICENSING, TITLING,
REGISTRATION, AND INSURANCE**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Olszewski, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/9 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/6 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring a motor scooter in the State to be titled and registered by the Motor Vehicle Administration; requiring an operator of a motor scooter in the State to be licensed and insured;

providing for the registration classification of motor scooters; establishing an annual registration fee for motor scooters; providing that specified vehicle equipment and inspection requirements do not apply to motor scooters; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, Various Sections - amended and §§ 13-939.3 and 23-206.2 (c) - added

HB0655 - NATURAL RESOURCES – EXPANDED USE OF WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/9 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/6 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.
3/17 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
3/18 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-1)

Senate Action

3/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/6 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Authorizing grants from the Waterway Improvement Fund to be used for the purchase and installation of best management practices for implementation at public or private marine facilities for the designation or renewal of a marina as a Maryland Clean Marina or Clean Marina partner; prohibiting the amount of grants for the purchase and installation of best management practices from exceeding 50% of the cost of purchasing and installing each best management practice; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, §§ 8-707, 8-708, and 8-709 - amended

HB0656 - STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – EMERGENCY SNOW REMOVAL – USE OF FARM TRUCKS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Boteler, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/9 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/6 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing the State Highway Administration to request the use of specified farm trucks to assist in snow removal under specified circumstances; authorizing the owner of a farm truck to refuse to allow the Administration to use the farm truck; requiring the Administration to compensate the owner of a farm truck that is used for snow removal; authorizing the Administration to adopt specified regulations; and defining terms.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 8-602 and 13-921 - amended

HB0659 - VEHICLE LAWS – FEDERALLY COMPLIANT IDENTIFICATION CARDS – ISSUANCE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Gutierrez, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/9 First Reading Judiciary

2/6 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue a federally compliant identification card to any individual who meets specified requirements; requiring the Administration, in determining what documentation is acceptable to show proof of citizenship or lawful presence in the United States, to comply with the requirements of the federal REAL ID Act of 2005 and specified amendments and regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 12-302 - added

HB0678 - MOTOR VEHICLES – TELEVISION–TYPE RECEIVING EQUIPMENT – OPERATION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Malone. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/9 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/6 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering the areas in a motor vehicle where television–type receiving equipment may be located; prohibiting a person from driving a motor vehicle while operating television–type receiving equipment that is visible to the driver; and providing that restrictions on the operation of television–type receiving equipment while driving do not apply to the use of specified electronic display equipment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 22-414 - amended

HB0699 - WIND ENERGY – TAX INCENTIVES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hecht, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/9 First Reading Ways and Means

2/11 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.

Sponsor/Status: Exempting from the sales and use tax the sale of specified wind energy equipment; exempting from the State and local property tax specified wind energy property; requiring that specified wind energy property be assessed at no more than a specified value; defining terms; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TG, § 11-230 and TP, § 7-242 - amended

HB0700 - RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS – SOLAR HOT WATER SYSTEMS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hecht, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters

2/9 First Reading Economic Matters

2/18 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/10 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Providing that a person who owns and operates a specified solar hot water system shall receive a specified renewable energy credit under specified circumstances; authorizing a specified renewable energy credit to be transferred and applied to a specified renewable portfolio standard under specified circumstances; authorizing an electricity supplier to use specified renewable energy credits to meet a specified renewable energy portfolio standard under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PUC, § 7-709(a) - amended and §§ 7-701(k-1), 7-704(g), and 7-709(g) - added

HB0701 - VEHICLE LAWS – FLEEING OR ELUDING POLICE – PENALTIES AND FORFEITURE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hecht, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/9 First Reading Judiciary

2/10 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/2 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Altering penalties for offenses relating to fleeing or eluding police; authorizing a law enforcement officer to seize a vehicle that is used to commit offenses relating to fleeing or eluding police; establishing a rebuttable presumption, for purposes related to forfeiture of a vehicle, that the registered owner of a vehicle was the driver at the time a specified offense relating to fleeing and eluding police was committed; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 21-904 and 27-101(p) - amended and § 27-115 - added

HB0704 - MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – SUSPENSION – NEW VEHICLES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Impallaria, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/9 First Reading Ways and Means

2/11 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Suspending for a period of 90 days after enactment of the Act the motor vehicle excise tax on the issuance of a certificate of title for a new motor vehicle with a certificate of

origin from the United States; defining specified terms; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB0707 - MARYLAND ENERGY CONSERVATION BUILDING STANDARDS IMPROVEMENT ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Barve, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/9 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/11 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

4/13 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

**4/10 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments**

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to adopt the International Energy Conservation Code as part of the Maryland Building Performance Standards; altering the time by which the Department is required to adopt each subsequent version of the Standards from 12 to 9 months after issuance; authorizing the Department to adopt specified modifications of the building code as part of the Standards; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PS, §§ 12-501, 12-503, 12-504(a), and 12-505(a)(1) - amended

HB0729 - CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS CRITICAL AREA – PROSPECTIVE LAND PURCHASES – INSPECTIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate McConkey, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/10 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/11 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

2/13 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring a local jurisdiction to inspect a lot or parcel that is in the Chesapeake Bay or Atlantic Coastal Bays critical area at the request of a prospective purchaser to determine if a critical area violation exists on the lot or parcel; establishing that a specified subsequent purchaser of a lot or parcel in the critical area is not liable for specified criminal or civil penalties for specified violations under specified circumstances; and authorizing a local jurisdiction to impose a specified inspection fee.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 8-1806 and RP, § 3-102 - amended and RP, § 10-206 - added

HB0742 - LAWFUL PRESENCE – IDENTIFICATION CARD

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Ivey, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary
2/10 First Reading Judiciary
Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue a specified identification card to a resident of the State who is a U.S. citizen or is otherwise lawfully present in the United States; requiring the Administration to determine what documentation is acceptable to show proof of citizenship or lawful presence in the United States; prohibiting a person from committing fraud or misrepresentation in applying for or using an identification card issued under the Act; establishing specified criminal penalties; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 12-302 - added and § 27-101(c)(1) - amended

HB0746 - MOTOR FUEL TAX – INCREASE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Barkley. Assigned to: Ways and Means
2/10 First Reading Ways and Means
2/11 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering the motor fuel tax rates for specified motor fuels; and providing for the payment of specified motor fuel taxes by a specified date.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TG, § 9-305 - amended

HB0747 - MOTOR FUEL TAX – ADJUSTMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Barkley. Assigned to: Ways and Means
2/10 First Reading Ways and Means
2/11 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering the motor fuel tax rates for specified motor fuel; providing for increases in the motor fuel tax rates for specified motor fuel for specified periods; requiring the Comptroller to make specified determinations and announcements; and providing for the payment of taxes on specified tax-paid motor fuel.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TG, § 9-305 - amended

**HB0749 - WIND-POWERED ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES –
DECOMMISSIONING AND RESTORATION – SURCHARGE, BOND OR
OTHER SECURITY, AND FUND**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Beitzel. Assigned to: Economic Matters
2/10 First Reading Economic Matters
2/11 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

3/20 Referred to Interim study by Economic Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Public Service Commission to establish a surcharge on wind– powered electric generating facilities; requiring the Comptroller to collect the revenue from the surcharge and deposit it into the Maryland Wind–Powered Electric Generating Facility Decommissioning and Restoration Fund; authorizing a wind–powered electric generating facility to post a bond or other security acceptable to the Commission in lieu of the surcharge; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
PUC, §§ 7-213 and 7-214 - added

HB0750 - PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES – WIND TURBINES – PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Beitzel. Assigned to: Economic Matters

2/10 First Reading Economic Matters

2/11 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

3/20 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Sponsor/Status: Requiring the Public Service Commission and the Department of the Environment to develop jointly specified general performance standards for wind–powered electric generating turbines erected in the State; and requiring the Commission to adopt the general performance standards by regulation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
PUC, § 7-213 - added

HB0763 - ENVIRONMENT – LEAD WHEEL WEIGHTS – PROHIBITED

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hubbard, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting specified persons from using, allowing to be used, or selling specified lead wheel weights after specified dates; requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt regulations that at a minimum list environmentally safe lead–free wheel weights; requiring the Department to inform specified persons regarding the requirements under the regulations; and providing for the enforcement of the Act, including the required issuance of a warning for an initial violation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 6-3A-01 - added

HB0765 - NATURAL RESOURCES – LAND AVAILABLE FOR TREE PLANTING

DATABASE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Cardin, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a database of public and private land, including land in urban areas, that is available and appropriate for tree planting; requiring the database to classify land by county and watershed and to identify sensitive areas on the land; requiring the Department to record specified land in the database and to solicit other persons to record land in the database; and requiring the Department to plant trees on the land recorded in the database.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 5-104 - added

HB0771 - SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Cane, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Declaring policy statements and findings relating to forests; revising provisions of law relating to the protection of forestry practices from specified private actions; establishing a Sustainable Forestry Council; altering the uses of specified funds; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to consider specified priorities when allocating the State's share of Program Open Space funds; authorizing the transfer of specified responsibilities from the Department of the Environment to the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 66B, AG, BOP, CJ, NR, and SF, Various Sections - amended and added

HB0780 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – FIXING OR REVISING TOLLS – LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL REQUIRED

Sponsor/Status: Delegate George, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/11 First Reading Ways and Means

2/16 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transportation Authority from fixing or revising a toll on any part of any transportation facilities project unless the General Assembly approves the toll through legislation; and authorizing the Authority, on or after October 1, 2009, to continue to charge and collect a toll of the same amount in effect before October 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 4-312 - amended

HB0784 - CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM – TRAFFIC CONGESTION REPORTING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate James, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 3/31 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/10 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 4/11 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order 4/13 (Senator Pipkin) Adopted
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments
Special Order evening session (Senator Pipkin)
- 4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin) Rejected (13-27)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/10 Special Order (Senator Pipkin) Adopted

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Transportation to report in the annual Consolidated Transportation Program on efforts by the Department and the Maryland Transportation Authority to address traffic congestion; requiring the report to include measures that should be implemented by other State agencies to reduce traffic congestion and the anticipated effect that new capital projects will have on traffic congestion and mobility in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 2-103.1(c) - amended

HB0786 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE – TOLLS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate George, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

- 2/11 First Reading Ways and Means
- 2/16 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to temporarily stop collecting tolls for the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Bridge (Chesapeake Bay Bridge) under specified

congested traffic conditions; requiring the Authority to resume collecting tolls when specified congested traffic conditions no longer exist; requiring the Authority to take specified action to obtain a necessary modification of a specified trust agreement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 4-312(c) - amended

HB0790 - COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AUTHORITY – BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Ivey, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation or a specified percentage of voters to establish a business improvement district; requiring a county or municipal corporation to establish a business improvement district steering committee and district plan; authorizing a county or municipal corporation or business improvement district management association to issue bonds for the purposes of the district; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EC, §§ 12-401 through 12-405 - added

HB0800 - NATURAL RESOURCES – ROADSIDE TREES – PROTECTION AND ENFORCEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hucker. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.
4/10 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
4/4 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
4/5 Third Reading Passed (130-1)

Senate Action

4/7 First Reading Senate Rules
4/13 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs
Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Authorizing a county or municipality to adopt a local law or ordinance for the planting, care, and protection of roadside trees and to issue a stop work order under specified circumstances; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to authorize a county or municipality to enforce specified provisions of State law under specified circumstances;

prohibiting a county or municipality from issuing a building permit under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, §§ 5-403, 5-404, and 5-406, and TR, § 8-614 - amended

HB0801 - TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF ENVIRONMENTAL LEGISLATION AND POLICY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate McDonough. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Establishing a Task Force to Study the Economic Impact of Environmental Legislation and Policy; providing for the membership, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member from receiving specified compensation; requiring the Task Force to study specified topics and make findings; requiring the Task Force to make a specified report to the Governor and General Assembly; and providing for the termination of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0804 - ENVIRONMENT – COAL COMBUSTION BY–PRODUCT DISPOSAL FACILITIES

Sponsor/Status: Delegates King and Love. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

2/26 Hearing cancelled

3/2 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring a person to obtain a specified permit for a proposed coal combustion by–product disposal facility; prohibiting a person from installing, materially altering, or materially extending a coal combustion by–product disposal facility except in accordance with a specified permit establishing application requirements; authorizing the Secretary to deny a specified permit based on the results of specified tests; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, Various Sections - amended and §§ 9-201(a-1) and (a-2) and 9-210.1 – added

HB0814 - MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – GREEN JOBS WORKFORCE TRAINING PROGRAM

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hucker, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters

2/11 First Reading Economic Matters

2/18 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Establishing the Green Jobs Workforce Training Program; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to administer the Program; requiring the Administration to consult regularly with the Governor's Workforce Investment Board, the Maryland Clean Energy Center, and the Department of Business and Economic Development concerning the activities of the Program; stating the purpose of the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SG, §§ 9-2101 through 9-2106 - added

HB0816 - MARILYN J. PRAISNER SAFE AND EARTH-FRIENDLY ROADWAY ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing the State Highway Administration or a political subdivision to install or replace a specified luminaire for highway lighting only if it determines that the safety concerns to be addressed by the lighting cannot be addressed by specified alternative means; authorizing the Administration, a political subdivision, or an electric company to install or replace a specified luminaire for highway lighting only with a new luminaire that meets specified requirements; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 8-609.2 - added

HB0817 - VEHICLE LAWS – ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES – SAFETY STANDARDS AND TRAINING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

2/26 Hearing cancelled.

Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board to establish criteria for all-terrain vehicle safety programs and approve qualifying programs; establishing specified prohibitions related to the operation of specified all-terrain vehicles by individuals of specified ages; prohibiting specified individuals from operating all-terrain vehicles unless specified requirements related to all-terrain vehicle safety training are met; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

ED, § 13-518 and TR, § 21-1213 - added

HB0839 - PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – BALTIMORE CITY – AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carter, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/11 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing Baltimore City to use specified Program Open Space funds to acquire undeveloped property in conjunction with a nonprofit organization.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 5-911 - added

HB0843 - CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES – SUBSCRIBER COMPLAINTS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Love, et al. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

2/11 First Reading Health and Governmental Operations

2/25 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report by Health and Government Operations

3/22 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/23 Third Reading Passed (138-0)

Senate Action

3/27 First Reading Finance

4/1 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.

4/9 Favorable Report by Finance

4/5 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Adding to the requirements for a continuing care retirement community's internal grievance procedure; shortening the time frame within which specified subscribers have the right to meet with management of a provider; authorizing subscribers to submit a specified request to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman under specified circumstances; requiring the Long-Term Care Ombudsman to provide specified written conclusions to specified individuals and to the Department of Aging; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HU, § 10-428 - amended and § 10-430 - added

HB0853 - DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING – REPEAT OFFENDERS – SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Holmes. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/12 First Reading Judiciary

2/11 Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue special license plates to identify a vehicle that is owned by an individual who has been convicted of specified drunk or drugged driving offenses three or more times; requiring the special registration plates to be distinctive and to include the letters “DUI”; requiring the Administration to recall the registration plates of all vehicles owned by an individual who has been convicted of specified drunk and drugged driving offenses three or more times; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 13-630 - added

HB0855 - STATE GOVERNMENT – OPEN MEETINGS ACT – DEFINITION OF PUBLIC BODY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Smigiel, et al. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

2/12 First Reading Health and Government Operations

2/18 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Health and Government Operations

Purpose: Altering the definition of a public body in the context of the Open Meetings Act to include the governing body of a humane society or other entity dedicated to animal control or protection if a county provides funding to the entity and has delegated the authority to carry out animal control or protection to the entity; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SG, § 10-502(h) - amended

HB0862 - NATURAL RESOURCES – OYSTER HARVEST – CLOSURE OF STATE WATERS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Smigiel. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to keep tidal waters of the State open for oyster harvesting unless the Department makes specified determinations or except as required by law; requiring the Department to manage tidal waters to support, promote, and enhance oyster harvesting opportunities to a specified extent; requiring the Department to manage tidal waters to

prevent any net loss of waters available for oyster harvesting or of available oyster harvest authorizations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 4-215(h) - amended and § 4-215.5 - added

HB0875 - DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING – REFUSAL TO TAKE A BLOOD OR BREATH TEST – PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sophocleus, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/12 First Reading Judiciary

Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.

2/23 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary

Purpose: Prohibiting a person who is detained for specified alcohol– or drug–related driving offenses from knowingly refusing to take a specified blood or breath test if the person was detained previously for specified alcohol– or drug–related driving offenses and refused to take a blood or breath test; and providing that a violation is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than 1 year or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 21-902.2 and 27-101(cc) - added

HB0876 - ENVIRONMENT – HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Glenn, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Secretary of the Department of the Environment to establish a Healthy Homes Initiative in the Department for specified purposes; authorizing the Secretary to apply for specified federal grants; and requiring the Secretary to administer specified grants for specified purposes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 6-855 - added

HB0881 - CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE – INSPECTION BY INDEPENDENT ENTITY REQUIRED

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to cause an inspection to be conducted of all elements of the superstructure and substructure of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge on or before December 31, 2009; requiring the Authority to retain the services of an entity independent of and not affiliated with the Authority to conduct the inspection; requiring the Authority to mandate that the entity conducting the inspection use the most exacting and state-of-the-art technology available for that purpose in the industry; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB0882 - CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE – INDEPENDENT INSPECTION REQUIRED BEFORE TOLL, FEE, OR PENALTY INCREASE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters and Ways and Means

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters & Ways and Means

2/18 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transportation Authority from imposing an increase in a toll, fee, or penalty for the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge until a specified inspection is conducted; requiring the Authority to retain the services of an entity that is independent of and not affiliated with the Authority to conduct the inspection; requiring the Authority to require the entity to use state-of-the-art technology for the inspection; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

TR, § 4-312(c) - amended

HB0888 - TRANSPORTATION – CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE CROSSING – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY FOR A THIRD SPAN

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Sossi and Smigiel. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Explicitly stating the power of the Maryland Transportation Authority to conduct or coordinate a study of the environmental impact of a proposed transportation facility; requiring the Transportation Authority, in collaboration with specified other agencies, to commence the process, on or before a specified date, to conduct and complete an Environmental Impact Study for a third crossing of the Chesapeake Bay; and requiring that the Environmental Impact Study be for a span at a specified location.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 4-205 - amended

HB0890 - VEHICLE LAWS – FAILURE TO YIELD TO EMERGENCY VEHICLE – PENALTY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Stein, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Increasing the maximum penalty for failure of a driver of a vehicle to yield to an emergency vehicle from a \$500 fine to a \$1,000 fine.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 27-101(g) - amended

HB0910 - MARYLAND STRATEGIC ENERGY INVESTMENT FUND – ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMS – SENIORS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate McComas, et al

2/12 First Reading Economic Matters

2/18 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to consider the needs of low–income and moderate–income seniors when using money from the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund to develop and implement specified energy efficiency and conservation programs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SG, § 9-20B-05(h) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB0911 - COUNTIES – PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS – CARROLL COUNTY

Sponsor/Status: Carroll County Delegation. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters

3/18 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

3/20 Third Reading Passed (136-0)

Senate Action

3/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/2 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/1 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Authorizing Carroll County to enter into an agreement to purchase development rights under specified circumstances; authorizing Carroll County to determine, by resolution, the provisions, terms, conditions, and the duration of a specified agreement; providing that a payment obligation in a specified agreement shall be a general obligation of the county and may not be subject to a specified annual appropriation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 24, § 20-101 - amended

HB0916 - POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS – GOVERNMENT IMPOSED RESTRICTIONS ON INCOME PRODUCING REAL PROPERTY – FISCAL IMPACT STUDY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Holmes. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing Environmental Matters 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring a local government to request a specified study from the Governor before enacting an ordinance or adopting a regulation that imposes rent restrictions or affordability requirements on specified residential property; requiring the Governor to direct a State entity to perform the study; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 24, § 19-105 - added

HB0922 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – FIXING OR REVISING TOLLS AND FEES – NOTICE AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Rudolph, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/12 First Reading Ways and Means

2/16 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means

3/21 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/22 Third Reading Passed (139-0)

Senate Action

3/26 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

3/27 Re-assigned Budget and Taxation

4/6 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.

4/8 Special Order evening session (Senator Pipkin)

4/9 Floor Amendment (Senator Pipkin)

Special Order later today (Senator Pipkin) Adopted

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to provide a 60-day public comment period before a proposal to fix or revise a toll, fee, or other charge may take effect; requiring that the public comment period commence on the date on which the Authority publishes specified information in the Maryland Register; requiring the Authority to hold public hearings during the public comment period in different regions of the State; requiring the Authority to accept oral and written testimony from the public at each hearing; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TR, § 4-312 - amended

HB0927 - NATURAL RESOURCES – PROHIBITION ON DREDGING BURIED OYSTER SHELLS ON MAN–O–WAR SHOALS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Weir, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from dredging buried oyster shells on Man–O–War Shoals as part of carrying out specified duties to increase the productivity or utility of the natural oyster bars of the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
NR, § 4-1103(a) - amended

HB0929 - AGRICULTURE – FERTILIZERS AND PESTICIDES – RELEASE REPORTING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hubbard, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Agriculture to adopt specified regulations regarding reporting on the release of fertilizers and pesticides; declaring specified findings of the General Assembly; requiring a person that releases fertilizer and pesticide to submit a specified report to the Department; requiring the report to contain specified information; requiring the report to cover the preceding calendar year and be submitted annually beginning on March 1, 2011; requiring the Department to establish the format of the report; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
AG, §§ 14-101 through 14-403 - added

HB0934 - VEHICLE LAWS – SCHOOL BUSES – PROHIBITION ON PERMITTING SITTING ON FLOOR OR STANDING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Smigiel. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting a person who is responsible for pupils on a school bus from permitting any pupil to stand while the bus is in motion; prohibiting a person who is responsible for pupils on a school bus from permitting any pupil to sit on the floor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1118 - amended

HB0943 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING REFERENDUM LOCAL ORDINANCE PROHIBITION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Smigiel. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/12 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/13 Hearing 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

2/16 Hearing cancelled

Re-assigned Appropriations

2/25 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting a county from enacting prohibitions on collective bargaining by county employees under specified conditions; authorizing a county under specified conditions to submit a specified local law for referendum; establishing that a specified local law enacted under specified conditions shall not take effect unless approved by referendum; and requiring the county governing body and board of elections to take specified actions to provide for and hold the referendum.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 24, § 23-101 - added

HB0947 - TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY USER REVENUES – HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE MC 903–09

Sponsor/Status: Montgomery County Delegation. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/12 First Reading Ways and Means

2/16 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering the allocation of highway user revenues among political subdivisions; requiring that a specified portion of highway user revenues be allocated to Montgomery County; and requiring the State Highway Administration to transfer to Montgomery County all responsibility for maintenance of State highways located in Montgomery County except for

Interstates 270 and 495 on or before July 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, §§ 8-403, 8-404, and 8-405 - amended

HB0949 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – BONDING AUTHORITY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi, et al. Assigned to: Appropriations

2/12 First Reading Appropriations

2/25 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable Report by Appropriations

Purpose: Modifying a specified limit on the issuance of revenue bonds by the Maryland Transportation Authority.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, § 4-306 – amended

HB0965 DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING – ADVISORY ROLE TO MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing the Department of Planning to act only as an advisory agency with respect to a county or municipality.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SF, § 5-302 - amended

HB0967 - LOCAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – NEW CONSTRUCTION – RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate George, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary and Health and Government Operations

2/13 First Reading Judiciary & Health and Government Operations

Purpose: Requiring any application for specified financial assistance related to the construction, enlargement, or maintenance of a local correctional facility to include a plan for a residential program for substance abuse treatment that meets specified criteria; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

CS, § 11-108 - added

HB0978 - TASK FORCE TO STUDY MOTOR VEHICLE TOWING PRACTICES – EXTENSION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Niemann. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/17 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/18 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-2)

Senate Action

- 3/23 First Reading Finance
- 3/24 Hearing 3/26 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/10 Favorable Report by Finance
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/7 Third Reading Passed (43-4)**

Purpose: Extending the expiration date for the Task Force to Study Motor Vehicle Towing Practices to December 31, 2009; and extending the due date by which the Task Force is required to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly to December 31, 2009.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

Ch. 514 of the Acts of 2008, §§ 1 and 2 - amended

HB0989 - VEHICLE LAWS – EMERGENCY AND POLICE VEHICLE AND PERSONNEL PROTECTION ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Conaway, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
- 2/16 Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring drivers approaching emergency or police vehicles stopped, standing, or parked on a highway and using any visual signals, except when otherwise directed by a police officer, to vacate the lane closest to the emergency or police vehicle under specified circumstances or to slow to a speed that is sufficient to ensure the safety of police officers or emergency services personnel in the vicinity of the emergency or the police vehicle under specified circumstances; establishing a specified penalty; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-405 - amended

HB0992 - DRIVER RELIEF ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate McIntosh, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/6 Hearing cancelled

3/26 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring specified plans and programs to provide for air quality improvement by attaining a specified performance objective of reducing the statewide average of vehicle miles traveled (VMT) by a specified amount by January 1, 2036; requiring a specified schedule for reducing VMT; requiring the Department of the Environment to review and evaluate specified plans and programs for compliance with the Act; and authorizing the Department to adopt specified regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 2-303.2 - amended

HB1004 TRANSPORTATION – PARKING FACILITIES – TOWING PROHIBITED UNLESS PARKING PAYMENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Conaway and Rosenberg. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Prohibiting the owner or other person in charge of a parking facility from using towing to enforce specified parking restrictions unless the facility allows customers the option to pay for parking using currency or credit, debit, or charge cards; and providing that the Act does not apply to publicly owned or controlled metered parking spaces.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 26-307 - added

HB1028 - MOTOR VEHICLES – MANDATORY SEAT BELT USE – WARNING FOR IMPROPER USE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Conaway. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Providing that a person who attempts to use a seat belt as required by law but who fails to use the seat belt in accordance with specified design specifications is not in violation of

specified mandatory seat belt laws; and prohibiting the issuance of a citation and requiring the issuance of a specified warning for a violation of specified mandatory seat belt laws that involves the failure to use a seat belt properly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 22-412.3 - amended

HB1029 - MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION – NEW FELONY SUMMARY – PUBLIC NOTICE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Conaway. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration annually to publish a summary of the criminal laws of the State that have been changed from a misdemeanor to a felony within the prior year and mail, using the address of the person on record with the Administration, a copy of the summary, without charge, to each holder of a driver's license or identification card issued by the Administration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 12-115.1 - added

HB1039 - SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS AND PAWNBROKERS – ELECTRONIC REPORTING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Davis. Assigned to: Economic Matters
2/13 First Reading Economic Matters
2/18 Hearing 2/24 at 1:00 p.m.

4/3 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring specified secondhand precious metal object dealers and pawnbrokers to submit specified records to specified law enforcement units electronically by the end of each business day; requiring the Department of State Police and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation jointly to report to specified committees of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
BR, § 12-304 - amended

HB1053 - COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate McIntosh, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Providing specified persons and associations standing in specified claims under specified circumstances; providing judicial review of specified final administrative decisions under specified circumstances; providing specified persons standing to participate in specified administrative appeal proceedings under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 1-901 through 1-908 and NR, § 8-1815.2 - added

HB1054 - ENVIRONMENT – PERMITTING PROCESS – ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE REVIEW

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Niemann. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities and the Department of Planning, to develop criteria and maps that identify environmentally stressed communities in the State; requiring an Environmental Justice Review as a condition of issuing or renewing specified permits; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 1-701 through 1-705 - added and EN, § 1-706 - amended

HB1058 - ENVIRONMENT – SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION PERMITS – LOCAL NOTICE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Walkup, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment to provide notice to the legislative body and elected executive of a county of an application to utilize sewage sludge; and requiring the Department to provide notice to the elected executive of a municipal corporation of an application to utilize sewage sludge.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-234 - amended

HB1060 - RESIDENTIAL SOLAR ENERGY ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hecht, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters

2/13 First Reading Economic Matters

2/18 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring an electricity supplier, for specified calendar years, to meet a specified renewable energy portfolio standard for solar energy by accumulating a specified percentage of solar renewable energy credits each year from small solar generators; authorizing the Public Service Commission to waive a specified requirement if an electricity supplier is unable to meet the requirement under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

PUC, §§ 7-702(l) and (m), 7-704(a) through (c), and 7-709(c) - amended and §§ 7-701(l), 7-703(e), and 7-705(e-1) - added

HB1063 - ENVIRONMENT – NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCES – POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Stein, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/25 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Authorizing a political subdivision that has a population of less than 10,000 to adopt a noise control ordinance with specified limitations; requiring a political subdivision that has a population of more than 10,000 to adopt a noise control ordinance that is at least as stringent as specified standards, limits, and rules adopted by the Department of the Environment; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 3-105 - amended

HB1078 - ENVIRONMENT – PERMIT APPLICATIONS – NOTICEREQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Niemann. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/28 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

3/30 First Reading Senate Rules

4/7 Re-referred Education Health and Environmental Affairs

- 4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/5 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/6 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (47-0)**

Purpose: Requiring notification by mail to specified record residential property owners of specified permit applications under specified circumstances; excluding specified permit applications from the requirement; requiring the notice to contain specified information; requiring permit applicants to pay the cost of the notice; and authorizing the Department of the Environment to require the permit applicant to publish and send the notice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 1-602 - amended

HB1079 - VEHICLE LAWS – MANDATORY SEAT BELT USE – ENFORCEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Conaway and Boteler. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
- Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Limiting a police officer to enforcing specified mandatory seat belt laws only as a secondary action when detaining a driver for another suspected violation of the law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 22-412.3 - amended

HB1083 - ENVIRONMENT – ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – REQUIREMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Schuh and V. Clagett. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
- Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring persons who are engaged in the business of inspecting on-site sewage disposal systems under specified circumstances to make specified certifications to the Department of the Environment; requiring persons who are engaged in the business of inspecting on-site sewage disposal systems under specified circumstances to complete a specified registration; requiring a county, by January 1, 2011, to adopt a specified on-site sewage disposal management plan; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, Various Sections - amended and added and TG, § 10-728 - added

HB1092 - ENVIRONMENT – RECYCLING RECEPTACLES – EVENTS AND FORESTS AND PARKS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Frush and V. Clagett. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring specified State agencies conducting an event open to the public at which beverages are provided in recyclable containers to provide recycling receptacles for the collection of recyclable containers; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to provide recycling receptacles at State forests and parks; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-1711 - added

HB1105 - PRIVATE WASTEWATER TREATMENT ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Frush, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.
3/23 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
3/21 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/22 Third Reading Passed (134-2)

Senate Action

3/26 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/2 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Prohibiting a person from installing a privately owned on-site wastewater treatment system under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-1108 - added

HB1106 - BAY RESTORATION FUND – SEPTIC SYSTEMS – NITROGEN REMOVAL PROJECTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Frush, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

2/27 Hearing cancelled

3/2 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Prohibiting a local government from prohibiting homeowners that receive specified grant funding for projects related to the removal of nitrogen from onsite sewage disposal systems from placing an addition or accessory structure on the homeowner's dwelling unit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1605.2(i)(10) - added

HB1107 - HEALTH – TASK FORCE ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate McComas, et al. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
2/13 First Reading Health and Government Operations
2/25 Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing a Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease; providing for the membership of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to survey specified research, practices, and approaches regarding Alzheimer's disease; requiring the Task Force to make specified recommendations; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before September 30, 2011; terminating the Act after September 30, 2011; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB1116 - SMART GROWTH – VISIONS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Lafferty, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters
2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
2/18 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.
3/27 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Altering the visions for land use plans; establishing performance standards to measure the achievement of the visions; requiring a plan to enable a local jurisdiction to meet specified performance standards on or before October 1, 2018; requiring a local jurisdiction to demonstrate to the Department of Planning by October 1, 2012, that the plan will achieve the performance standards by October 1, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
Art. 66B, EN, and SF, Various Sections - amended and Art. 66B, §§ 1.00(i), 3.05(g) and (h), and 3.07.1 - added

HB1123 - LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS FACILITIES – APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION OR OPERATION

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Ivey, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters
2/13 First Reading Economic Matters
2/25 Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the construction or operation of a specified liquefied natural gas facility without the approval of the Public Service Commission; and prohibiting the Commission from granting regulatory approval for the construction or operation of a specified liquefied natural gas facility that is located within a specified distance from specified buildings or places or in a location that is inconsistent with specified zoning laws or ordinances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
PUC, § 11-101 - amended

HB1151 - TRANSPORTATION – MARYLAND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYSTEM OPERATIONS FUND – TRANSPORT BY PRIVATELY OWNED HELICOPTER

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Smigiel. Assigned to: Appropriations

2/13 First Reading Appropriations

2/25 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable Report by Appropriations Withdrawn

Purpose: Adding reimbursement of operators of private helicopter companies for costs of emergency medical transport under specified circumstances as an authorized use of money in the Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund; requiring the State Emergency Medical Services Board to adopt regulations and protocols; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 13-955 - amended

HB1167 - VEHICLE LAWS – VIOLATIONS BY DRIVERS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS – DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENSIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Simmons. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/13 First Reading Judiciary

Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Hearing cancelled

Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring a court to order the Motor Vehicle Administration to initiate an action to suspend the driving privilege of a child for specified periods of time on making a finding that the child has committed specified violations relating to alcoholic beverages, leaving the scene of an accident, or fleeing or eluding a police officer; providing that the Administration may not issue restricted licenses to individuals whose drivers' licenses are suspended under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
CJ, §§ 3-8A-19(e)(1) and 3-8A-23(a) and TR, §§ 16-206(b) and 16-404 - amended and TR, § 21-905 - added

HB1169 - ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES – PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Bronrott, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting an individual from operating or riding on an all-terrain vehicle unless the individual is wearing protective headgear and an eye protective device that meet specified standards; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1207.3 - added

HB1171 - ALTERNATIVE ENERGY TAX INCENTIVE ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Bartlett, et al. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/13 First Reading Ways and Means

2/16 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means

3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/26 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/31 Hearing 4/3 at 1:00 p.m.

4/9 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation

4/5 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Exempting from the sales and use tax the sale of residential wind energy equipment; clarifying that solar energy property that uses solar thermal electric energy is exempt from the State and local property tax; exempting from the State and local property tax residential wind energy equipment; and exempting from the State and local property tax methane digesters.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TG, § 11-230 and TP, § 7-242 - amended

HB1176 - TRANSPORTATION – PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS – NOTICE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Rice and Hixson. Assigned to: Ways and Means

2/13 First Reading Ways and Means

2/16 Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.

3/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means

3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments
3/12 Third Reading Passed (138-0)

Senate Action

3/13 First Reading Budget and Taxation
3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Transportation to provide specified information to specified committees of the General Assembly and the Department of Legislative Services not less than 45 days prior to issuing a public notice of solicitation related to specified public-private partnerships; requiring the Department to provide specified information to specified committees of the General Assembly and the Department of Legislative Services not less than 10 days prior to entering into specified public-private partnerships; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
TR, §§ 3.5-101 and 3.5-201 – added

HB1187 - ENVIRONMENT – DISHWASHING DETERGENT CONTAINING PHOSPHORUS – PENALTIES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Manno. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Altering the penalty for selling, manufacturing, or distributing specified household dishwashing detergents after July 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, § 9-1505 - amended

HB1190 - WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY COMPACT – GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Gutierrez and Ramirez. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

4/10 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Amending the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact in order to comply with federal requirements; altering the number and qualifications of the Directors on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board, as specified; establishing the Office of Inspector General within the Authority; specifying provisions relating to specified payments to the Authority; making the Act subject to a specified contingency; etc.

CONTINGENT

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, § 10-204 Title III Article III Sections 5 and 9 and Article VIII, Section 26 - amended

HB1191 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT – DEPOSITS OF UNEXPENDED OR SURPLUS MONEY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Conway, et al. Assigned to: Appropriations

- 2/13 First Reading Appropriations
- 2/25 Hering 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/16 Favorable Report by Appropriations
- 3/17 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/19 Third Reading Passed (134-1)

Senate Action

- 3/20 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 3/25 Hearing 3/31 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/2 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
- 4/1 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/6 Third Reading Passed (45-0)**

Purpose: Altering the conditions under which a local government may deposit unexpended or surplus money with a federally insured bank or savings and loan association; altering the authorized deposit amounts to conform with federal deposit insurance limits; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

Art. 95, § 22-O - amended

HB1194 - OPEN MEETINGS ACT – EXPANSION OF DEFINITION OF PUBLIC BODY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Benson, et al. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

- 2/13 First Reading Health & Government Operations
- 2/18 Hearing 3/4 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report by Health and Government Operations
- 3/22 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/23 Third Reading Passed (138-0)

Senate Action

- 3/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/30 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/3 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed
4/4 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Action after passage in House and Senate

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 164

Purpose: Expanding the definition of “public body” under the Open Meetings Act to include specified entities appointed by specified public bodies or officials of the public bodies if the membership of the entity has a specified composition.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
SG, § 10-502(h) - amended

HB1197 - VEHICLE LAWS – BICYCLES – RULES OF THE ROAD

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/3 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Creating an exception for a bicycle operator to the prohibition against passing another vehicle to the right by driving off the roadway; establishing that at an intersection, a person operating a bicycle is subject to traffic control signals, but that at all other places has the rights and is subject to specified restrictions applicable to pedestrians; authorizing under specified circumstances a person who is operating a bicycle or motor scooter to use the roadway even if a shoulder is present; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, §§ 11-104, 21-101(v), 21-304, 21-501.1, and 21-1205.1 - amended

HB1210 - CHESAPEAKE BAY RESTORATION CONSUMER RETAIL CHOICE ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring a store to charge and collect a specified fee for each carryout bag it provides to a customer; authorizing a store to retain a specified amount of the fee under specified circumstances; providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to a specified amount of money under specified circumstances; requiring the operator of a store to remit a specified amount of money to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to adopt certain regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

BR, § 19-103 - added and NR, § 8-2A-02(e) - amended

HB1217 - VEHICLE LAWS – MANDATORY USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Kramer, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/13 First Reading Judiciary
Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.
2/16 Hearing cancelled
2/17 Hearing 3/5 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering the Motor Vehicle Administration's authority to establish an Ignition Interlock System Program to require the Administration to establish the Program; requiring rather than authorizing the Administration to establish a protocol for the Program by specified regulations; requiring individuals who are in the Program to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for specified periods of time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 16-404.1(b) and (f)(1) - amended

HB1226 - VEHICLE LAWS – LAWFUL PRESENCE – IDENTIFICATION CARD, MOPED OPERATOR'S PERMIT, OR DRIVER'S LICENSE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Ivey, et al. Assigned to: Judiciary

2/13 First Reading Judiciary
Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Requiring an applicant for an identification card, moped operator's permit, or driver's license to provide documentation of U.S. citizenship or lawful presence; providing for the effective term of an identification card, moped operator's permit, or driver's license issued to specified applicants; and requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue an identification card, moped operator's permit, or driver's license with specified distinguishing features to specified applicants.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 12-301(a) and (i), 16-104.2(a) and (e), and 16-115(a)(1) and (2) - amended and §§ 16-106(e)(4), 16-115(a)(5), and 16-121 - added

HB1236 - MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – CLEAN ENERGY LOAN PAYMENT PROGRAM

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Rudolph. Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

2/13 First Reading Economic Matters & Ways and Means
2/18 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing a Maryland Clean Energy Loan Payment Program to provide financial assistance to residential and commercial property owners for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects; authorizing a residential or commercial property owner to repay a specified loan through a clean energy surcharge on the owner's property tax bill; authorizing the State to impose a clean energy surcharge on specified property; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SG, §§ 9-20C-01 through 9-20C-09 - added and TP, § 6-201 - amended

HB1238 - MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – STANDARDS FOR TELEVISIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carr, et al. Assigned to: Economic Matters

2/13 First Reading Economic Matters

2/18 Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/4 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters

Purpose: Requiring the Maryland Energy Administration, on or before October 1, 2010, to adopt regulations concerning energy efficiency standards and labeling standards for televisions sold in the State; and requiring the Administration, when adopting specified regulations, to consider adopting similar standards to those that have been adopted in other states or are being proposed in other states.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SG, § 9-2006.1 - added

HB1248 - AGRICULTURE–NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANS–CONFIDENTIALITY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Shank, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

2/20 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring the Department of Agriculture to destroy file copies of nutrient management plans or summaries of the plans after 3 years from the date of filing or return the copies to the individuals for whom they were prepared; and prohibiting the Department from sharing farm-specific information from specified sources with other government agencies or members of the general public.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, § 8-801.1 - amended

HB1266 - HIGH PERFORMANCE BUILDINGS AND ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – EXCEPTIONS – REPEAL

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hucker. Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations

2/13 First Reading Health & Governmental Operations & Appropriations

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

4/10 Unfavorable Report by Health and Government Operations Withdrawn

Purpose: Repealing specified exceptions to the requirement that specified State capital projects be constructed or renovated to be high performance buildings; repealing a specified exception to energy performance standards and analyses required for State buildings; establishing specified deadlines by which the Department of Transportation is required to perform a specified energy analysis and develop a specified energy plan for specified buildings; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SF, §§ 3-602.1 and 4-806 - amended

HB1290 - ENVIRONMENT – RECYCLING – PUBLIC SCHOOL PLANS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Rice, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

3/18 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/20 Third Reading Passed (126-9)

Senate Action

3/23 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/2 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/1 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Requiring a county recycling plan to address the collection, processing, marketing, and disposition of recyclable materials from county public schools; requiring a county to submit a revised recycling plan by October 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-1703 - amended

HB1291 - NATURAL RESOURCES – NO NET LOSS OF FOREST POLICY – FOREST CONSERVATION ACT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Bobo, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters

Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

- 4/7 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 4/8 Third Reading Passed (114-21)

Senate Action

- 4/8 First Reading Senate Rules

Purpose: Reducing the threshold acreage of land under a proposed subdivision plan above which the Forest Conservation Act applies; repealing specified exemptions from the requirements of the Forest Conservation Act for cutting or clearing trees in a public utility right-of-way; authorizing the acquisition of an off-site protective easement for temporarily protected forested areas as a mitigation technique to meet afforestation or reforestation requirements; altering the fee-in-lieu contribution required under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 5-104 - added and §§ 5-1602, 5-1603(c)(3), (f), and (g), 5-1604(a), 5-1607(b)(2), (c), and (f), and 5-1610 - amended

HB1303 - VEHICLE EMISSIONS INSPECTION PROGRAM – TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF VEHICLE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Taylor. Assigned to: Environmental Matters

- 2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters
Hearing 3/10 at 1:00 p.m.

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring specified vehicles that have been in operation for at least 5 years from the vehicles' model year or first registration date, whichever is later, to be inspected and tested in accordance with specified provisions of law governing the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program within 10 business days after a transfer of ownership; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 23-206 - amended

HB1305 - ENVIRONMENT – COAL COMBUSTION BYPRODUCTS – DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS – TRANSPORT AND BENEFICIAL USE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate King. Assigned to: Environmental Matters and Economic Matters

- 2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters & Economic Matters
- 2/18 Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Special Order later today (Delegate Beitzel) Adopted
Floor Amendment (Delegate Beitzel) Rejected (35-94)
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/26 Third Reading Passed (119-15)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
3/31 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m. (Education Health and Environmental Affairs)
4/10 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/7 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt regulations regarding the transportation and permissible beneficial uses of coal combustion byproducts by a specified date.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

EN, § 9-281 - added

HB1306 - RECYCLING – RESTAURANTS AND BARS – ALUMINUM, GLASS, AND PLASTIC BOTTLES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Carter, et al. Assigned to: Environmental Matters and Economic Matters

2/13 First Reading Environmental Matters & Economic Matters
2/18 Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m.

3/25 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Requiring the owners or managers of restaurants and bars to recycle aluminum, glass, and plastic bottles generated for disposal; requiring the Department of the Environment to facilitate coordination of recycling efforts between local jurisdictions and restaurants and bars; authorizing the Department to grant specified exemptions from the requirements of the Act; providing for specified fines for first and subsequent violations; requiring the Department to adopt regulations to implement the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-1711 - added

HB1312 - MARYLAND ELECTRICITY REREGULATION AND ENERGY INDEPENDENCE ACT OF 2009

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Smigiel and Taylor. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/16 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/9 Re-referred Economic Matters
3/10 Hearing 3/26 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring the Public Service Commission to evaluate plans regarding electric generating needs; requiring the Commission to approve a certificate of public convenience and

necessity application only after consideration of need; making a finding and declaration regarding a goal to return to a regulated electric market; requiring that new electric generation facilities be owned by electric companies except under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

PUC, §§ 7-201 and 7-207 - amended and § 7-518 - added

HB1316 - CHARTER AND CODE HOME RULE COUNTIES – COUNTY EMPLOYEES – FURLOUGHS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Levi, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/16 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters

3/4 Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Authorizing a charter or code home rule county to provide for the furlough of county employees by ordinance; and prohibiting a charter or code home rule county from providing for the furlough of county employees by resolution.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 25A, § 5(Q) - amended

HB1331 - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM – CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Conway. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/18 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters

3/4 Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.

3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters

3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

3/26 Third Reading Passed (132-2)

Senate Action

3/28 First Reading Budget and Taxation

3/31 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.

4/9 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation

4/5 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

Purpose: Authorizing the Community Development Administration to establish capital reserve funds in connection with the financing of infrastructure projects; providing that the fund may

only be used to pay the principal of, and premium and interest on, obligations secured by the fund; providing that if the fund balance is below a specified minimum the Administration shall replenish the fund; requiring, under specified circumstances, that the Administration request the Comptroller advance funds to replenish the fund; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

CONTINGENT

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HS, § 4-233.1 - added

HB1332 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – TOLL RATE INCREASES

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Hixson and Levy. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/18 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/2 Re-referred Ways and Means
3/4 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Prohibiting the Maryland Transportation Authority from implementing a toll rate increase on specified transportation facilities during fiscal year 2009; prohibiting the Authority from imposing a toll rate increase exceeding 50% on specified vehicles for fiscal year 2010; requiring any toll increase for fiscal year 2010 to be phased in according to a specified schedule; encouraging the Authority to hold specified public hearings; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB1335 - VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVING WHILE LICENSE REFUSED, SUSPENDED, CANCELED, OR REVOKED – PENALTY

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Niemann, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/18 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
3/4 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
3/5 Hearing Cancelled
3/17 Re-referred Judiciary
3/16 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Altering specified provisions relating to driving a motor vehicle while a license or privilege to drive issued by the State or any other state is refused, suspended, canceled, or revoked; establishing that a specified offense is not a moving violation for purposes of assessing specified points; providing that in a specified prosecution specified records are prima facie evidence of specified facts; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, Various Sections - amended, § 16-402(a)(11) and (30) - repealed, and § 27-101(cc) - added

HB1338 - CHARTER AND CODE HOME RULE COUNTIES – FURLOUGH OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES – PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Levi and Manno. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/18 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters

3/4 Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Authorizing a charter or code home rule county to provide for the furlough of county employees; and placing specified conditions on a charter or code home rule county's authority to impose a furlough on specified public safety officers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 25A, § 5(Q) - amended

HB1346 - STATE GOVERNMENT – MEETING OF PUBLIC BODY – LIMITATION ON CLOSED SESSIONS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Sossi, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/19 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/2 Re-referred Health and Government Operations

3/4 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.

3/28 Unfavorable Report by Health and Government Operations

Purpose: Prohibiting a public body from meeting in a closed session to discuss or act on specified matters if a specified individual requests an open session.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SG, § 10-508(b) - amended

HB1350 - RULES OF THE ROAD – DUTY TO REMAIN AT THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT – PENALTIES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Norman, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/19 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/2 Re-referred Judiciary

3/3 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/23 Unfavorable report by Judiciary

Purpose: Increasing the maximum penalty for specified offenses relating to a driver's duty to remain at the scene of an accident to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than 6 months or both; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 27-101(c) - amended and § 27-101(cc) - added

HB1355 - NATURAL RESOURCES – TIDAL FISH LICENSES AND AUTHORIZATIONS – ENFORCEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Lafferty and Morhaim. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/19 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
- 3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/31 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/8 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/9 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Altering the grounds for suspension or revocation of a specified tidal fish license or authorization; and requiring the Department of Natural Resources to adopt specified regulations on or before January 1, 2010 that include enhanced penalties for specified violations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 4-701(l) - amended

HB1357 - MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY POLICE OFFICERS – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Jones and DeBoy. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/19 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/2 Re-referred Appropriations
- 3/4 Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/11 Hearing Cancelled
Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing the representatives of specified full-time Maryland Transportation Authority police officers to collectively bargain with the Maryland Transportation Authority concerning wages and benefits; authorizing specified police officers to take specified actions or refrain from taking specified actions in connection with specified labor organizations and collective bargaining activities; providing for binding arbitration under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

TR, § 4-802.2 - added

HB1362 - ENVIRONMENT – BAY RESTORATION FUND – AUTHORIZED USES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Costa. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/19 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
- 3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing that specified fee revenue collected for the Bay Restoration Fund may be used, under specified circumstances, to pay the cost of connecting properties served by onsite sewage disposal systems to existing municipal wastewater facilities that achieve enhanced nutrient removal.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 9-1605.2(h)(2) and (3) – amended

HB1368 - ENVIRONMENT – STATE AND PRIVATE WETLANDS – IMPROVEMENTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Beidle and V. Clagett. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/20 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters
- 3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
- Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (132-3)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/31 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.

4/11 Unfavorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

Purpose: Providing that a person who is exercising a right to make improvements into the water in order to preserve the person's access to navigable water may not extend the improvements over vegetated State wetlands.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, §§ 16-201 and 16-304 - amended

HB1375 - COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF LARGE TRUCK TRAFFIC ON THE CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Smigiel and Sossi. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/23 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/9 Re-referred Environmental Matters

3/11 Hearing 3/20 at 1:00 p.m.

3/26 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Establishing a Commission to Study the Impact of Large Truck Traffic on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and specifying its membership, chair, and staffing; prohibiting Commission members from receiving compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to study specified matters and report findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a specified date; terminating the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB1379 BIOMASS AND BIOFUELS – IN-STATE PRODUCTION INCENTIVES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hubbard, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/23 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/2 Re-referred Environmental Matters

3/4 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m.

Sponsor/Status: Altering provisions relating to net energy metering to allow eligible customer generators generating electricity from cellulosic feedstock to recover accrued generation credit for electricity fed back to the grid; prohibiting a person from selling or offering for sale diesel fuel in the State more than 1 year after the in-State production levels of cellulosic biofuel and biodiesel reach specified levels unless the diesel fuel contains a specified percentage of biodiesel; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
PUC, § 7-306 - amended and BR, § 10-304.2 – added

HB1407 - ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND – ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE – SUNSET EXTENSION

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources). Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/4 Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m.

- 3/17 Favorable Report by Economic Matters
- 3/18 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/20 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

- 3/23 First Reading Finance
- 3/24 Hearing 3/26 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/6 Favorable Report by Finance
- 4/3 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/4 Floor Amendment (Senator Harris) Withdrawn
Third Reading Passed (43-4)

Action after passage in House and Senate

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 167

Purpose: Extending the termination date from 2010 to 2015 of the environmental surcharge imposed on electrical energy distributed in Maryland to retail electric customers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

NR, § 3-302 and PUC, § 7-203 - amended

HB1412 - VEHICLE LAWS – MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION POINT SYSTEM

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation) Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/4 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/25 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
- 3/31 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/11 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings
- 4/7 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/8 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Repealing provisions relating to point system conferences; providing for the assessment of points for specified violations involving the unlawful operation of a commercial motor vehicle; requiring attendance at a driver improvement program for individuals who

accumulate a minimum number of points; eliminating the requirement to attend a point system conference based on the accumulation of a specified number of points; repealing a provision requiring a minimum number of points to suspend or revoke the driving privilege; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 16-212, 16-402(a), 16-404, and 16-405 - amended

HB1416 - SMALL BUSINESS POLLUTION COMPLIANCE LOAN FUND – REPEAL

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment). Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/25 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters

3/23 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

3/24 Third Reading Passed (137-0)

Senate Action

3/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

3/31 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.

4/10 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs

4/6 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/7 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Repealing the Small Business Pollution Compliance Loan Fund; requiring the reversion to the General Fund of any remaining balance in the Small Business Pollution Compliance Loan Fund; and requiring the Department of the Environment to collect and hold loan repayments for reversion to the General Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, §§ 2-801 through 2-806 - repealed

HB1417 - WATER QUALITY AND DRINKING WATER QUALITY REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS – USE OF FUNDS

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment). Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/25 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters

3/23 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

3/24 Third Reading Passed (136-1)

Senate Action

3/27 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs

- 3/31 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/10 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/7 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Action after passage in House and Senate

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 168

Purpose: Authorizing the use of the Maryland Water Quality Revolving Loan Fund and the Maryland Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund to provide assistance in the form of grants, negative interest loans, forgiveness of principal, subsidized interest rates, and any other form of financial assistance as authorized or required by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

EN, §§ 9-1605, 9-1605.1, and 9-1606 - amended

HB1418 - AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION – CONDEMNATION OF LAND UNDER EASEMENT

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture). Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Environmental Matters
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (112-22)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 3/31 Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/10 Favorable Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/6 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/7 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Purpose: Providing that the Maryland Agriculture Land Preservation Program does not prohibit a governmental agency from condemning land that is subject to an agricultural land preservation easement for use as economic or residential development or parkland, subject to approval by the Board of Public Works and a recommendation by the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

AG, § 2-515(a) - amended

HB1421 - VEHICLE LAWS – MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – VEHICULAR CROSSINGS

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation). Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/4 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/9 Hearing Cancelled

3/17 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Expanding the application of specified provisions of law to prohibit vehicular traffic from crossing specified lane markings in or on a vehicular crossing under the jurisdiction of the Maryland Transportation Authority and to restrict the movement of specified vehicles to the right lane of a vehicular crossing under the jurisdiction of the Authority, subject to a specified exception.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, § 21-1412(a) and (b) - amended

HB1425 - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION BONDS – ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Gaines and Levy. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/9 Re-referred Appropriations
- 3/18 Hearing 3/26 at 2:00 p.m.
- 3/24 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 3/26 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/28 Favorable Report by Appropriations
- 3/25 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (135-0)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Budget and Taxation
- 3/31 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/9 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation
- 4/5 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (46-0)

Purpose: Authorizing the Department of Transportation to sell its consolidated transportation bonds at a public, competitive sale or at a private, negotiated sale, as determined by the Secretary

of Transportation in accordance with specified criteria; providing that a public, competitive sale is the preferred method of issuance; providing for the form of notice of a public sale; providing for the publication of the notice of sale; repealing a publication requirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
TR, §§ 3-202 and 3-203 - amended

HB1426 VEHICLE LAWS – TURNING SIGNALS – ROTARY TRAFFIC ISLANDS

Sponsor/Status: Delegates O'Donnell and Frush. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/9 Re-referred Environmental Matters
- 3/11 Hearing 3/20 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing that the prohibition under specified circumstances against a person making vehicle turns until the person has given a turning signal does not apply to a vehicle entering or exiting a roadway circling a rotary traffic island.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
TR, § 21-604 - amended

HB1429 - BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – BRAC COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT ACT

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Ways and Means Committee and Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Business and Economic Development). Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 2/25 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/2 Re-referred Ways and Means & Economic Matters
- 3/4 Hearing 3/17 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/28 Favorable with Amendments Report by Ways and Means
- 3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/26 Third Reading Passed (134-0)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Budget and Taxation & Finance
- 3/31 Hearing 4/3 at 1:00 p.m. (Budget and Taxation)
Hearing 4/7 at 1:00 p.m. (Finance)
- 4/1 Hearing cancelled (Finance)
- 4/9 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation
- 4/5 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/6 Third Reading Passed with Amendments (46-0)

Purpose: Altering the effective date of the BRAC Revitalization and Incentive Zones; altering the date that local governing bodies make specified certifications to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; altering the date that the Department makes specified calculations for amounts due to political subdivisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

EC, §§ 5-1304(a) and 5-1306(d) and TP, § 2-222(d) – amended

HB1441 - VICTIMS' RIGHTS – FATAL VEHICULAR ACCIDENT – SUSPENSION OF LICENSE

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Dwyer, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/26 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/9 Re-referred Judiciary

3/10 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Authorizing a victim's representative to be present at a specified administrative hearing concerning a fatal vehicular accident; authorizing a victim's representative to make an oral statement or submit a written statement for consideration at a specified administrative hearing concerning a fatal vehicular accident; and authorizing the Administration to suspend a license of a person who is convicted of a moving violation that contributed to an accident resulting in the death of an individual.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 12-206.1 and 16-206(a)(5) and (f) – added

HB1442 - JANE E. LAWTON CONSERVATION FUND – RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Walkup, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

2/26 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/9 Re-referred Economic Matters

3/10 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m.

3/26 Favorable Report by Economic Matters

3/23 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

3/24 Third Reading Passed (137-0)

Senate Action

3/27 First Reading Finance

3/31 Hearing 4/2 at 1:00 p.m.

4/7 Favorable Report by Finance

4/5 Favorable Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed

4/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)

Action after passage in House and Senate

4/14 Approved by the Governor
- Chapter 169

Purpose: Expanding the purposes of the Jane E. Lawton Conservation Fund to include support of specified renewable energy projects by specified entities; altering the local jurisdictions that may be eligible to receive a loan from the Fund for specified purposes; authorizing specified loans to be deposited in specified revolving loan funds under specified circumstances; authorizing a local jurisdiction to trade specified electricity on a specified energy market under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SG, §§ 9-20A-01, 9-20A-03, 9-20A-06, and 9-20A-09 - amended and §
9-20A-09 – added

**HB1457 - ENVIRONMENT – STORMWATER MANAGEMENT – STORMWATER
USER CHARGE**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hucker. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
2/27 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

Purpose: Requiring each county or municipality to establish a stormwater user charge; establishing the purpose of a stormwater user charge; requiring a county or municipality to collect a stormwater user charge and use it to fund specified stormwater management activities; requiring a county or municipality to set the amount of a residential stormwater user charge in a specified manner; requiring a county or municipality to set the amount of a commercial stormwater user charge in a specified manner; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

EN, § 4-202 – amended

**HB1492 - VEHICLE LAWS – FAILURE TO REMAIN AT THE SCENE OF AN
ACCIDENT – PENALTIES**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Norman. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/3 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/16 Re-referred Judiciary
Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/26 Unfavorable Report by Judiciary Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring the driver of each vehicle involved in an accident that results in significant damage to an attended vehicle or other attended property, or an accident in which the driver knew or reasonably should have known that there was a minor in any other vehicle involved in

the accident, to immediately stop the vehicle at a specified location and return to and remain at the scene of the accident for a specified purpose; establishing a specified penalty; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

TR, §§ 20-102, 20-103, 20-104, and 27-101(c)(16) and (o) – amended

HB1515 BUSINESS REGULATION – SECONDHAND GOODS DEALERS – LICENSING AS DEALERS REQUIRED

Sponsor/Status: Delegates Minnick and Pena–Melnik. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/5 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/16 Re-referred Economic Matters

3/17 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

3/27 Unfavorable Report by Economic Matters Withdrawn

Purpose: Requiring secondhand goods dealers to be licensed as dealers by the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation before doing business in the State; providing that specified provisions of law supersede existing laws of a county or municipal corporation that regulate secondhand goods dealers; authorizing a county or municipal corporation to enact or enforce laws that regulate secondhand goods dealers if the law is more stringent than specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

BR, Various Sections - amended and §§ 12-101(k) and 12-102(e) – added

HB1525 - STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSE

Sponsor/Status: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee and Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation). Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/6 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

3/16 Re-referred Environmental Matters and Appropriations

3/17 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m. (Environmental Matters)

Purpose: Exempting real property taken by the State Highway Administration for a specified transportation purpose from specified disposition requirements; defining terms; requiring the approval of the Board of Public Works for specified land transfers; establishing conditions for Board approval of specified land transfers; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SF, § 10-305(b) and TR, § 8-309 - amended

HB1536 DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – LICENSING AND PERMITTING PROHIBITED FOR MOUNTAINTOP REMOVAL COAL MINING

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hucker. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/9 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

Purpose: Adding mountaintop removal coal mining to the list of activities that are included in the definition of surface mining; prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing or renewing a surface mining license to an applicant who would engage in mountaintop removal coal mining; requiring the Department to deny a surface mining permit to an applicant who would engage in mountaintop removal coal mining; and defining “mountaintop removal coal mining”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
EN, §§ 15-801, 15-807(d), and 15-810 - amended

HB1537 - TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING TELEWORKING CENTERS ON THE EASTERN SHORE FOR CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE COMMUTERS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Walkup, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/9 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/16 Re-referred Environmental Matters
3/17 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/28 Unfavorable Report by Environmental Matters

Purpose: Establishing a Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Establishing Teleworking Centers on the Eastern Shore for Chesapeake Bay Bridge Commuters; specifying the membership and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to designate the Task Force chair; requiring the Task Force to examine, evaluate, and identify specified matters and report findings and recommendations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB1564 PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – USE OF FUNDS – INDOOR OR OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Stein. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/13 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Delegate Stein) Adopted (130-1)
Referred House Rules and Executive Nominations
3/16 Re-referred Environmental Matters
3/17 Hearing 3/24 at 1:00 p.m.
3/28 Favorable Report by Environmental Matters
3/25 Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
3/26 Third Reading Passed (131-3)

Senate Action

- 3/28 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments
Committee Amendment A1 Rejected (17-29)
Favorable Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed
- 4/4 Special Order 4/9 (Senator Dyson) Adopted
- 4/5 Floor Amendment (Senator Dyson) Adopted
Special Order 4/11 (Senator Frosh) Adopted
- 4/7 Recommit to Committee (Education Health and Environmental Affairs) (Senator Conway) Adopted

Purpose: Authorizing a local government body to use Program Open Space funds for the construction of indoor or outdoor recreational facilities; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

NR, § 5-903(b) - amended

HB1567 - CLEAN ENERGY LOAN PROGRAMS

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Hecht. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 3/16 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Delegate Hecht) Adopted (123-0)
Referred House Rules and Executive Nominations
Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Delegate Hecht) Adopted (123-0)
Referred House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/23 Re-referred Economic Matters
- 3/25 Hearing 4/1 at 1:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Hearing cancelled
Hearing 3/27 at 1:00 p.m.
- 4/3 Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
- 3/30 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted
Second Reading Passed with Amendments
- 3/31 Third Reading Passed (135-0)
- 4/10 House Concur - Senate Amendments
Third Reading Passed (135-0)
Passed Enrolled

Senate Action

- 4/3 First Reading Senate Rules
- 4/8 Re-referred Finance & Budget and Taxation
Hearing 4/9 at 1:00 p.m. (Finance)
- 4/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance
- 4/8 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted

Second Reading Passed with Amendments

4/9 Motion Special Order later today (Senator Greenip) Rejected
Third Reading Passed with Amendments (45-2)

Purpose: Authorizing political subdivisions to enact an ordinance or a resolution establishing a Clean Energy Loan Program for a specified purpose; requiring the Clean Energy Loan Program to require a property owner to repay a specified loan through a surcharge on the owner's property tax bill; providing that a person who acquires property subject to a specified surcharge assumes the obligation to pay the surcharge; providing that a specified surcharge constitutes a lien on specified property; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Art. 24, §§ 9-1501 through 9-1507 – added

**HB 1571 MOTOR VEHICLES – MEDIUM SPEED VEHICLES – STANDARDS
AND REQUIREMENTS**

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Malone. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 3/19 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Delegate Malone) Adopted (135-0)
Referred House Rules and Executive Nominations
- 3/23 Re-referred Economic Matters
- 3/24 Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m.

Purpose: Establishing that the Motor Vehicle Administration may issue certificates of title for, and register, medium speed vehicles; defining “medium speed vehicle”; establishing an annual registration fee for medium speed vehicles; prohibiting a person from driving a medium speed vehicle on specified highways; requiring a medium speed vehicle to comply with specified federal standards; clarifying that a requirement that specified vehicles display a slow moving vehicle emblem does not apply to medium speed vehicles; etc.

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IN, § 20-501 and TR, Various Sections - amended and §§ 11-132.1 and 13-939.3 – added

HB1572 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS – AUTHORIZATION AND OVERSIGHT

Sponsor/Status: Delegate Gaines, et al. Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

- 3/20 First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Delegate Gaines) Adopted (136-0)
Referred House Rules and Executive Nominations

Purpose: Authorizing the Department of General Services, the State Department of Transportation, and the Maryland Transportation Authority to enter into specified agreements related to soliciting and entering into public-private partnerships after providing specified information and notice and opportunity for review and comment to specified budget committees;

prohibiting the Board of Public Works from approving a specified master development agreement for the State Center facility located in Baltimore City; etc.

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SF, § 10A-101 - added and TR, § 4-205(c)(1) - amended and § 4-205(c)(3) - repealed