

GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE

Bills to be Signed by the Governor on April 14, 2009

- SB1072 The President (By Request – Administration), et al**
PIMLICO AND LAUREL PARK RACETRACKS, BOWIE RACE COURSE TRAINING CENTER, AND PREAKNESS STAKES – STATE PURCHASE OR CONDEMNATION
- Authorizing the State to acquire by purchase or condemnation for public use with just compensation private property relating to the Pimlico and Laurel Park racetracks, the Bowie Race Course Training Center, the name, copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trade names, contracts, and horse racing events that are associated with the Preakness Stakes the Woodlawn Vase trophy, and other specified property; authorizing the Maryland Economic Development Corporation to borrow money and issue bonds for specified purposes; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL
- SB0269 The President (By Request – Administration), et al**
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – MORTGAGE LENDERS AND MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATORS
- Altering provisions of law regulating mortgage lenders and mortgage loan originators to conform to the requirements of the federal Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008; requiring applicants for mortgage lender and mortgage loan originator licenses and licensees to provide specified information and pay specified fees to the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
- SB0270 The President (By Request – Administration), et al**
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – ELIGIBILITY – PART-TIME WORK
- Authorizing an individual who is able to work only part time to be deemed eligible for specified benefits under specified circumstances; clarifying that the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation may not use disability as a reason to find an individual is not available for work, actively seeking work, or eligible for benefits; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL

- HB0310 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – ELIGIBILITY – PART-TIME WORK
Authorizing an individual who is able to work only part time to be deemed eligible for specified benefits under specified circumstances; clarifying that the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation may not use disability as a reason to find an individual is not available for work, actively seeking work, or eligible for benefits; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL
- SB0007 Senator Glassman, et al**
STATE GOVERNMENT – FLAGS – MADE IN USA
Requiring that a flag of the United States or a State flag that is displayed on State property and purchased with State money must be manufactured in the United States.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB0007 Delegate Norman, et al**
STATE GOVERNMENT – FLAGS – MADE IN USA
Requiring that a flag of the United States or a State flag that is displayed on State property and purchased with State money must be manufactured in the United States.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- SB0008 Senator Haines**
INSURANCE – UNFAIR AND DECEPTIVE PRACTICES – LIMIT ON OFFER, PROMISE, OR GIFT OF VALUABLE CONSIDERATION NOT SPECIFIED IN A CONTRACT OR POLICY
Altering to no more than \$25 the limit on the value of items that an insurer may offer, promise, or give that is not specified in specified contracts or policies.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0010 Senator Klausmeier**CONSUMER PROTECTION – FALSE ADVERTISING – MISREPRESENTATIONS IN ADVERTISEMENTS AND TELEPHONE DIRECTORY LISTINGS**

Providing that a person is in violation of a specified provision of law prohibiting false advertising if the person causes an advertisement that misrepresents the location of the person to be published in a specified directory, or causes a telephone listing that misrepresents the location of the person to be listed in a specified directory; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0175 Delegates Bromwell and Schuler**CONSUMER PROTECTION – FALSE ADVERTISING – MISREPRESENTATIONS IN ADVERTISEMENTS AND TELEPHONE DIRECTORY LISTINGS**

Providing that a person is in violation of a specified provision of law prohibiting false advertising if the person causes an advertisement that misrepresents the location of the person to be published in a specified directory, or causes a telephone listing that misrepresents the location of the person to be listed in a specified directory; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0012 Senator Forehand**TOBACCO PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS – SETTLEMENT OF STATE CLAIMS – NONPARTICIPATING MANUFACTURERS – DEPOSIT OF FUNDS IN ESCROW – CODIFICATION OF MODEL STATUTE**

Codifying the provisions of the Model Statute enacted by Chapter 169 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999 as amended; providing for the termination of specified provisions of the Act under specified circumstances; providing for the construction of the Act; and making technical, stylistic, and conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0019 Senator Colburn**DORCHESTER COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY**

Establishing the salary for the Sheriff of Dorchester County for specified calendar years; repealing references to the County Commissioners of Dorchester County and substituting references to the County Council of Dorchester County; and establishing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Sheriff of Dorchester County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0025 Anne Arundel County Senators**CITY OF ANNAPOLIS – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS AND FINES**

Adding the City of Annapolis to the list of jurisdictions in which the granting of probation before judgment to an alcoholic beverages licensee for selling or furnishing alcoholic beverages to an underaged individual does not bar the Board of License Commissioners from proceeding administratively against the licensee; and increasing the maximum fine that may be imposed in lieu of license suspension to \$2,000.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0065 Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation), et al**STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – LINE OF DUTY DEATH BENEFITS – MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY EMPLOYEES**

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; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

- SB0068 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – RECORDING, FILING, OR OTHER FEES – RETURNED CHECK FEE
Imposing a \$30 fee for nonpayment of checks or other negotiable instruments presented as payment for specified fees to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- SB0073 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**
MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – SALE OF LAND PRESERVATION EASEMENTS – CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS
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
- SB0074 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**
STATE TOBACCO AUTHORITY – REPEAL
Abolishing the State Tobacco Authority; and specifying that the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, shall correct cross-references and terminology rendered incorrect by the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0077 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – ORGANIC CERTIFICATION PROGRAM – FEES

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

SB0078 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)

PRACTICE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE – STUDENTS – IMMUNITY

Excluding specified veterinary students under specified circumstances from the definition of the practice of veterinary medicine; and extending immunity from liability to specified veterinary students under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0082 Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

INFLATABLE AMUSEMENT ATTRACTIONS – INSPECTIONS

Requiring the annual inspection of inflatable amusement attractions by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry; providing that a certificate of inspection for an inflatable amusement attraction is valid for not more than 1 year after the date of issuance; exempting inflatable amusement attractions from specified inspections; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0084 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Insurance Administration, Maryland)**

HEALTH INSURANCE – MEDICARE COVERAGE AND CONTINUATION COVERAGE – PROVISIONS THAT RELATE TO FEDERAL LAWS AND PROGRAMS

Requiring a carrier that issues health benefit plans to small employers in accordance with specified provisions of law to allow an individual an extended election period for specified continuation coverage under specified circumstances; requiring the extended election period to continue for a specified period of time under specified circumstances; altering the minimum benefits a Medicare supplemental policy must provide; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB0085 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Insurance Administration, Maryland)**

INSURANCE – NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OR NONRENEWAL – MAILING ADDRESS

Requiring specified notices of insurance policy cancellations or nonrenewals to be sent to the named insured at the named insured's last known address.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0089 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES – AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing the board of trustees of the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation to impose civil penalties on owners of property that is subject to a specified easement for violations of 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; requiring the Foundation to provide an alleged violator a reasonable time to correct the alleged violation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0090 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – VALUATION OF TERMINATED EASEMENTS

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

SB0091 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)

LAWN AND TURF GRASS SEED – TESTING AND LABELING REQUIREMENTS

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

SB0104 Senator Stone

BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK

Authorizing the County Administrative Officer of Baltimore County or a specified designee of the officer to request from the Central Repository a State and national criminal history records check for a prospective employee or volunteer of Baltimore County; requiring that the officer or designee of the officer submit specified sets of fingerprints and fees to the Central Repository as part of the application for a criminal history records check; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0549 Delegate Bromwell (By Request – Baltimore County Administration), et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK

Authorizing the County Administrative Officer of Baltimore County or a specified designee of the officer to request from the Central Repository a State and national criminal history records check for a prospective employee or volunteer of Baltimore County; requiring that the officer or designee of the officer submit specified sets of fingerprints and fees to the Central Repository as part of the application for a criminal history records check; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0117 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

STATE BOARD OF WELL DRILLERS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

Continuing the State Board of Well Drillers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2021, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board be performed on or before July 1, 2020; and requiring the Board to make a specified report on or before October 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0128 Senator Conway, et al

BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS – ACCOUNTANTS – CONTINUING EDUCATION

Repealing a specified provision of law that prohibits a specified licensee from receiving more than a specified number of continuing education credit hours to meet continuing education requirements if the credit hours are obtained by home study or service as a teacher, lecturer, or discussion leader.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0069 Delegates Feldman and Manno**BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS – ACCOUNTANTS –
CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Repealing a specified provision of law that prohibits a specified licensee from receiving more than a specified number of continuing education credit hours to meet continuing education requirements if the credit hours are obtained by home study or service as a teacher, lecturer, or discussion leader.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0146 Senators Frosh and Madaleno**MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AND TAXING DISTRICTS –
FINANCIAL AUDITS**

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

HB0019 Delegates Frick and Haddaway**MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AND TAXING DISTRICTS –
FINANCIAL AUDITS**

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

SB0149 Senator Kelley, et al**MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN – APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS**

Altering the manner by which the members of the Maryland Commission for Women are appointed; requiring the Governor to appoint specified members of the Commission from among specified applicants with the advice and consent of the Senate; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB1153 Delegate Montgomery, et al**MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN – APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS**

Altering the manner by which the members of the Maryland Commission for Women are appointed; requiring the Governor to appoint specified members of the Commission from among specified applicants with the advice and consent of the Senate; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0152 Senator Frosh**ESTATES AND TRUSTS – PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND FIDUCIARIES – POWERS**

Authorizing a personal representative to become a limited partner in any partnership or a member in any limited liability company, including a single member limited liability company; and authorizing a fiduciary to continue as or become a member in any limited liability company, including a single member limited liability company.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0154 Senator Frosh**ESTATES AND TRUSTS – ADMISSION OF COPY OF EXECUTED WILL**

Authorizing an interested person to file a petition for admission of a copy of an executed will to probate under specified circumstances; providing that notice to interested persons of the filing of the petition is not required; establishing the form of a “Consent to Probate of Copy of Executed Last Will and Testament”; authorizing an orphans’ court to order administrative or judicial probate of a copy of a will; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0171 Senators Lenett and Kittleman**MARYLAND CONDOMINIUM ACT – CLOSED MEETINGS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Repealing a specified condition on which a meeting of the board of directors of a condominium council of unit owners may be held in closed session; altering conditions on which a meeting of a board of directors may be held in closed session; and authorizing a board of directors to hold a meeting in closed session in order to discuss an individual owner assessment account.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0180 Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**BALTIMORE CITY – AUTHORITY OF MAYOR TO REMOVE POLICE COMMISSIONER**

Establishing that specified acts of the Mayor of Baltimore City do not interfere with the powers of the City Police Commissioner; and providing that the Police Commissioner is subject to removal at the pleasure of the Mayor.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0092 Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**BALTIMORE CITY – AUTHORITY OF MAYOR TO REMOVE POLICE COMMISSIONER**

Establishing that specified acts of the Mayor of Baltimore City do not interfere with the powers of the City Police Commissioner; and providing that the Police Commissioner is subject to removal at the pleasure of the Mayor.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0181 Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration), et al
**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – RESTRICTIONS ON PRETRIAL
RELEASE – OFFENSES INVOLVING FIREARMS – REPEAT
OFFENDERS**

Prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant charged with a specified offense involving a firearm if the defendant has previously been convicted of a specified offense involving a firearm; providing that a judge may authorize the pretrial release of a specified defendant on specified conditions; requiring a judge to order the continued detention of a specified defendant under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0088 Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)
**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – RESTRICTIONS ON PRETRIAL
RELEASE – OFFENSES INVOLVING FIREARMS – REPEAT
OFFENDERS**

Prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant charged with a specified offense involving a firearm if the defendant has previously been convicted of a specified offense involving a firearm; providing that a judge may authorize the pretrial release of a specified defendant on specified conditions; requiring a judge to order the continued detention of a specified defendant under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0239 Senator Frosh
**MARYLAND ANTITRUST ACT – ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM
SALE PRICE FOR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES – PROHIBITED**

Providing that a contract, combination, or conspiracy that establishes a minimum price below which a retailer, wholesaler, or distributor may not sell a commodity or service is an unreasonable restraint of trade or commerce under a specified provision of the Maryland Antitrust Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0657 Delegate Manno**MARYLAND ANTITRUST ACT – ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM SALE PRICE FOR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES – PROHIBITED**

Providing that a contract, combination, or conspiracy that establishes a minimum price below which a retailer, wholesaler, or distributor may not sell a commodity or service is an unreasonable restraint of trade or commerce under a specified provision of the Maryland Antitrust Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0242 Senator Pugh, et al**DISPENSATION OF PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION – PROVISION OF INFORMATION RELATING TO INCORRECTLY FILLED PRESCRIPTIONS**

Permitting specified dentists, physicians, and podiatrists to prepare and dispense specified prescriptions if they post signs or include information with prescriptions; requiring pharmacy permit holders to provide information regarding the process for resolving incorrectly filled prescriptions by posting signs or including information with prescriptions; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy to waive specified requirements of the Act for specified pharmacies; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0248 Senator Jones, et al**STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – NEGRO BASEBALL LEAGUE**

Requiring the Governor to proclaim annually the second Saturday in May as Negro Baseball League Day; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB0084 Delegate Stukes, et al**STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – NEGRO BASEBALL LEAGUE**

Requiring the Governor to proclaim annually the second Saturday in May as Negro Baseball League Day; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB0305 Senator King, et al**MORTALITY AND QUALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE – SUNSET
EXTENSION AND MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the membership of the Mortality and Quality Review Committee; and extending to December 31, 2012, the termination date relating to specified reports regarding incidents of injury and specified recommendations and findings by the Committee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0093 Delegate Costa**MORTALITY AND QUALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE – SUNSET
EXTENSION AND MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the membership of the Mortality and Quality Review Committee; extending to December 31, 2012, the termination date relating to specified reports regarding incidents of injury and specified recommendations and findings by the Committee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0333 Senator Colburn**DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2009**

Authorizing the Dorchester County Board of License Commissioners to issue a Class B caterer's license and a beer and wine sampling or tasting (BWST) license; exempting applications for restaurant licenses in Cambridge and Secretary from a specified site restriction; increasing the annual salaries of the Chairman and the regular members of the Board; providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Chairman or regular members of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0425 Delegate Eckardt, et al**DORCHESTER COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ACT OF 2009**

Authorizing the Dorchester County Board of License Commissioners to issue a Class B caterer's license and a beer and wine sampling or tasting (BWST) license; exempting applications for restaurant licenses in Cambridge and Secretary from a specified site restriction; increasing the annual salaries of the Chairman and the regular members of the Board; providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Chairman or regular members of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0347 Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**FOREIGN TRADE ZONES – APPLICATION AND PROCESS**

Requiring a person that wishes to have a site in the State designated a foreign trade zone to apply for approval to the zone grantee that is closest to the site before applying to another foreign trade zone grantee in the State; authorizing Baltimore City to apply for establishing, maintaining, and operating foreign trade zones in the Baltimore port of entry and in the State of Maryland within a radius of 60 miles beyond the port of entry limits, and to maintain and operate the foreign trade zones; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB0094 Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**FOREIGN TRADE ZONES – APPLICATION AND PROCESS**

Requiring a person that wishes to have a site in the State designated a foreign trade zone to apply for approval to the zone grantee that is closest to the site before applying to another foreign trade zone in the State; authorizing Baltimore City to apply for establishing, maintaining, and operating foreign trade zones in the Baltimore port of entry and in the State of Maryland within a radius of 60 miles beyond the port of entry limits, and to maintain and operate the foreign trade zones; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB0364 Senator Gladden**REAL PROPERTY – MECHANIC’S LIEN – CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGN SERVICES**

Establishing that work done for or about a building, for purposes of establishing a mechanic’s lien, includes specified interior design services provided by a certified interior designer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0544 Delegate Hucker, et al**REAL PROPERTY – MECHANIC’S LIEN – CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGN SERVICES**

Establishing that work done for or about a building, for purposes of establishing a mechanic’s lien, includes specified interior design services provided by a certified interior designer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0368 Senator Raskin, et al**LILLY LEDBETTER CIVIL RIGHTS RESTORATION ACT OF 2009**

Clarifying that an unlawful employment practice with respect to discrimination in compensation occurs when a specified decision or practice is adopted, when an individual becomes subject to the decision or practice, or when an individual is affected by the decision or practice; authorizing the recovery of back pay for up to 2 years preceding the filing of a complaint where the unlawful employment practice is similar or related to a specified other employment practice; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0288 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**LILLY LEDBETTER CIVIL RIGHTS RESTORATION ACT OF 2009**

Clarifying that an unlawful employment practice with respect to discrimination in compensation occurs when a specified decision or practice is adopted, when an individual becomes subject to the decision or practice, or when an individual is affected by the decision or practice; authorizing the recovery of back pay for up to 2 years preceding the filing of a complaint where the unlawful employment practice is similar or related to a specified other employment practice; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0377 Senator Middleton, et al**BUSINESS REGULATION – HOME BUILDER GUARANTY FUND – FEE**

Requiring specified home builders to pay the Home Builder Guaranty Fund fee to a municipal corporation; requiring a fee to be paid for residential units of a multiple-unit development to a county or municipal corporation; authorizing a county or municipal corporation to retain up to 2% of Guaranty Fund fee revenues to recover administrative costs; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB0662 Delegate Vaughn, et al**BUSINESS REGULATION – HOME BUILDER GUARANTY FUND – FEE**

Requiring specified home builders to pay the Home Builder Guaranty Fund fee to a municipal corporation; requiring a fee to be paid for residential units of a multiple-unit development to a county or municipal corporation; authorizing a county or municipal corporation to retain up to 2% of Guaranty Fund fee revenues to recover administrative costs; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB0382 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**ANNUAL CORRECTIVE BILL**

Correcting specified errors and omissions in various articles of the Annotated Code and Public Local Laws and in specified uncodified laws; establishing that the Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; ratifying and validating specified corrections made by the publisher of the Annotated Code; applying and construing the Act; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB0392 Senator Exum**BUSINESS REGULATION – REGISTRATION OF RETAIL SERVICE STATION DEALERS AND SALE OF GASOLINE PRODUCTS**

Eliminating the expiration date of the conditional prohibition against the Comptroller on the issuance of a certificate of registration to a retail service station dealer who markets motor fuel through a retail service station that has been altered, enlarged, or structurally modified; repealing a provision of law that requires a producer, refiner, or wholesaler of motor fuel, after September 30, 2009, to extend voluntary allowances uniformly to specified retail service station dealers; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

- HB0377 Delegate Feldman**
BUSINESS REGULATION – REGISTRATION OF RETAIL SERVICE STATION DEALERS AND SALE OF GASOLINE PRODUCTS
Eliminating the expiration date of the conditional prohibition against the Comptroller on the issuance of a certificate of registration to a retail service station dealer who markets motor fuel through a retail service station that has been altered, enlarged, or structurally modified; repealing a provision of law that requires a producer, refiner, or wholesaler of motor fuel, after September 30, 2009, to extend voluntary allowances uniformly to specified retail service station dealers; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- SB0413 Senator King (Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families), et al**
JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES – REPEAL OF SUNSET
Repealing the termination date of the Acts that established the Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
- HB0244 Delegate Kaiser (Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families), et al**
JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES – REPEAL OF SUNSET
Repealing the termination date of the Acts that established the Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009
- SB0434 Senator Astle**
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – YACHT CLUB LICENSE
Altering requirements that a yacht club in Anne Arundel County must meet to be issued a special Class C (yacht club) alcoholic beverages license.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0439 Senator Middleton**HEALTH INSURANCE – PROMPT PAY – CLARIFICATIONS**

Clarifying that if an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization fails to pay a clean claim for reimbursement or otherwise violates specified provisions of law, the insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization shall pay interest on a specified amount at a specified monthly interest rate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0440 Delegate Bromwell**HEALTH INSURANCE – PROMPT PAY – CLARIFICATIONS**

Clarifying that if an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization fails to pay a clean claim for reimbursement or otherwise violates specified provisions of law, the insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization shall pay interest on a specified amount at a specified monthly interest rate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0440 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**ANNUAL CURATIVE BILL**

Generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title defects.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB0463 Senator Lenett**MARYLAND YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL – YOUTH MEMBERS**

Increasing the term of a youth member of the Maryland Youth Advisory Council to 1 year; increasing the term of a youth member who is elected cochair of the Council to 1 year; requiring the State Department of Education to categorize up to four school absences per school year of a youth member as lawful absences if the absence was due to the business of the Council; and providing for the expiration of specified terms.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0485 Delegate Olszewski**MARYLAND YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL – YOUTH MEMBERS**

Increasing the term of a youth member of the Maryland Youth Advisory Council to 1 year; increasing the term of a youth member who is elected cochair of the Council to 1 year; requiring the State Department of Education to categorize up to four school absences per school year of a youth member as lawful absences if the absence was due to the business of the Council; and providing for the expiration of specified terms.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0471 Senator Kelley**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS – COMPOSITION AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Altering the composition of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators; altering the appointment process and qualifications for the executive director of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0492 Senator Kelley, et al**COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAMS – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SALARY INFORMATION**

Requiring a community mental health services program to submit annually financial statements and salary information in accordance with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's regulations; and authorizing the Mental Hygiene Administration to impose a penalty on a community mental health services program for failing to submit financial statements and salary information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0411 Delegate Hubbard**COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAMS – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SALARY INFORMATION**

Requiring a community mental health services program to submit annually financial statements and salary information in accordance with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's regulations; and authorizing the Mental Hygiene Administration to impose a penalty on a community mental health services program for failing to submit financial statements and salary information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0493 Senator Kelley, et al**MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES – REPORTS OF DEATH**

Defining the term “program or facility” so as to restrict the application of specified reporting requirements regarding the death of a mentally ill individual to specified mental health programs and facilities; specifying that specified programs or facilities are required to submit only one report of death; requiring the administrative head of specified nonresidential psychiatric rehabilitation programs to make a report of death to the Director of the Mental Hygiene Administration by a specified time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0412 Delegate Hubbard, et al**MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES – REPORTS OF DEATH**

Defining the term “program or facility” so as to restrict the application of specified reporting requirements regarding the death of a mentally ill individual to specified mental health programs and facilities; specifying that specified programs or facilities are required to submit only one report of death; requiring the administrative head of specified nonresidential psychiatric rehabilitation programs to make a report of death to the Director of the Mental Hygiene Administration by a specified time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0513 Senators Forehand and Muse**WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION – APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MEMBER**

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.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0541 Senator Kelley**COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – FIDELITY INSURANCE**

Requiring specified governing bodies of a cooperative housing corporation, a condominium, or a homeowners association to purchase fidelity insurance not later than the time of the first sale of a cooperative interest with respect to a unit to a person other than the developer and to keep the insurance in place each year thereafter; requiring the fidelity insurance to provide for the indemnification of the common ownership community against loss resulting from specified acts or omissions of specified persons; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0687 Delegate Braveboy**COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – FIDELITY INSURANCE**

Requiring specified governing bodies of a cooperative housing corporation, a condominium, or a homeowners association to purchase fidelity insurance not later than the time of the first sale of a cooperative interest with respect to a unit to a person other than the developer and to keep the insurance in place each year thereafter; requiring the fidelity insurance to provide for the indemnification of the common ownership community against loss resulting from specified acts or omissions of specified persons; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0573 Senators Stoltzfus and Colburn**WICOMICO COUNTY – LOCAL BOARD OF ELECTIONS –
COMPENSATION**

Altering the compensation of a substitute member of the local board of elections in Wicomico County; repealing the requirement relating to the compensation of the counsel to the local board of elections in Wicomico County; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of an incumbent substitute member of the local board of elections in Wicomico County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

- HB0732 Delegate Cane, et al**
WICOMICO COUNTY – LOCAL BOARD OF ELECTIONS –
COMPENSATION
Altering the compensation of a substitute member of the local board of elections in Wicomico County; repealing a requirement relating to the compensation of the counsel to the local board of elections in Wicomico County; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of an incumbent substitute member of the local board of elections in Wicomico County.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- SB0579 Senator Jones (Chair, Joint Committee on the Management of Public Funds), et al**
STATE CHECKS – ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION OF PAYEE NAMES
Authorizing the Treasurer of the State to electronically publish the names of specified payees for a specified period of time.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB0813 Delegate Heller (Chair, Joint Committee on the Management of Public Funds), et al**
STATE CHECKS – ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION OF PAYEE NAMES
Authorizing the Treasurer of the State to electronically publish the names of specified payees for a specified period of time.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- SB0608 Senators Brinkley and Mooney**
FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PART-TIME INSPECTORS
Authorizing the Frederick County Liquor Board to appoint not more than two part-time alcoholic beverages inspectors; specifying requirements that a person must meet to qualify for appointment; specifying the powers, duties, and compensation of part-time inspectors; and making specified prohibitions against conflict of interest applicable to part-time alcoholic beverages inspectors.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0617 Senator DeGrange, et al**LOCAL GOVERNMENT – DEPOSITS OF UNEXPENDED OR SURPLUS MONEY**

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

HB1191 Delegate Conway, et al**LOCAL GOVERNMENT – DEPOSITS OF UNEXPENDED OR SURPLUS MONEY**

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

SB0628 Senators Dyson and Middleton**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSURE OF SOCIAL WORKERS**

Requiring the State Board of Social Work Examiners to notify applicants for licensure whether the applicants have been approved to take a specified examination within 60 days after the Board has received a completed application from the applicant; and requiring the Board to establish a workgroup consisting of a specified membership to examine issues affecting the status of the workforce and submit a report to committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0510 Delegate Nathan–Pulliam, et al**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – LICENSURE OF SOCIAL WORKERS**

Requiring the State Board of Social Work Examiners to notify applicants for licensure whether the applicants have been approved to take a specified examination within 60 days after the Board has received a completed application from the applicant; and requiring the Board to establish a workgroup consisting of a specified membership to examine issues affecting the status of the workforce and submit a report to committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0634 Senator Pugh, et al**PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – MULTIPLE PROFESSIONS**

Altering the conditions under which a corporation may be a professional corporation for the purposes of rendering professional services within two or more professions; specifying that a professional corporation may render the same, similar, or related professional services within two or more professions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0636 Senator Middleton**HEALTH INSURANCE – REQUIRED REPORT AND REPEAL OF OBSOLETE PROVISIONS**

Requiring the Insurance Commissioner to report to the General Assembly on or before a specified date each year regarding specified contracts and specified insured lives; repealing specified provisions of law relating to the taking effect of specified requirements for health insurers when the Insurance Commissioner determines that a specified percent of the State's population is covered under specified health benefit plans; and repealing a requirement for a specified report.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0646 Senator Astle**CREDENTIALING OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS BY MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS, INSURANCE CARRIERS, AND HOSPITALS**

Providing that specified provisions of law relating to credentialing of health care providers by carriers apply to managed care organizations; providing hospitals with the option of using a specified form as the uniform standard credentialing form for hospitals; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to designate a specified provider credentialing application as the uniform credentialing form under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0526 Delegate Costa, et al**CREDENTIALING OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS BY MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS, INSURANCE CARRIERS, AND HOSPITALS**

Providing that specified provisions of law relating to credentialing of health care providers by carriers apply to managed care organizations; providing hospitals with the option of using a specified form as the uniform standard credentialing form for hospitals; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to designate a specified provider credentialing application as the uniform credentialing form under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0657 Senator Peters**REAL PROPERTY – NEW HOME SALES CONTRACTS – FINANCING CONTINGENCY CLAUSES**

Requiring a contract for the sale of a new home to be contingent on the buyer obtaining a written commitment for a loan secured by the property unless the contract states otherwise; and requiring the contract to state the maximum loan interest rate the purchaser is obligated to accept if the contract is contingent on the buyer obtaining a written commitment for a loan secured by the property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0720 Senator Forehand**REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – DECLARATION OF TRUST AND BYLAWS**

Repealing a provision requiring that the annual meeting of shareholders provided for in a declaration of trust of a real estate investment trust be held after the delivery of the annual report; and repealing a cross-reference in a provision authorizing the trust's bylaws to be made dependent on facts ascertainable outside the bylaws.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0245 Delegate Feldman**REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – DECLARATION OF TRUST AND BYLAWS**

Deleting a provision requiring that the annual meeting of shareholders provided for in a declaration of trust of a real estate investment trust be held after the delivery of the annual report; and repealing a cross-reference in a provision authorizing the trust's bylaws to be made dependent on facts ascertainable outside the bylaws.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0742 Senator Kelley**CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – TRANSITION OF CONTROL**

Requiring a meeting of the council of unit owners of a condominium to elect a board of directors, or a meeting of the members of a homeowners association to elect a governing body, to be held within a specified time of the sale of a specified percentage of units or lots; requiring a developer or a declarant before the date of a specified meeting to deliver to each unit owner or lot owner a specified notice; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0667 Delegate Braveboy**CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS –
TRANSITION OF CONTROL**

Requiring a meeting of the council of unit owners of a condominium to elect a board of directors, or a meeting of the members of a homeowners association to elect a governing body, to be held within a specified time of the sale of a specified percentage of units or lots; requiring a developer or a declarant before the date of a specified meeting to deliver to each unit owner or lot owner a specified notice; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0751 Senator Gladden, et al**INSURANCE – SLAVERY ERA INSURANCE POLICIES –
REPORTING**

Requiring specified insurers to provide the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, on or before October 1, 2011, with a report of specified information about specified slaveholder insurance policies issued during the slavery era and a copy of documents that relate to the information; authorizing a holding company to designate an insurer to be a reporting insurer on behalf of the member insurers of the holding company; requiring the Commissioner to adopt regulations that specify the form and content of a report by January 1, 2010; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0768 Senator Astle**COMMERCIAL INSURANCE AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION
INSURANCE – RENEWALS OF POLICIES – TRANSFERS OF
POLICYHOLDERS BETWEEN INSURERS**

Providing that, with respect to commercial insurance policies and workers' compensation insurance policies, the transfer of a policyholder between admitted insurers within the same insurance holding company system is a renewal under specified circumstances; providing that, with respect to commercial insurance and workers' compensation insurance, the issuance by an insurer of a new policy to replace an expiring policy issued by that insurer is a renewal; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0648 Delegate Harrison**COMMERCIAL INSURANCE AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION
INSURANCE – RENEWALS OF POLICIES – TRANSFERS OF
POLICYHOLDERS BETWEEN INSURERS**

Providing that, with respect to commercial insurance policies and workers' compensation insurance policies, the transfer of a policyholder between admitted insurers within the same insurance holding company system is a renewal under specified circumstances; providing that, with respect to commercial insurance and workers' compensation insurance, the issuance by an insurer of a new policy to replace an expiring policy issued by that insurer is a renewal; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0806 Senators Colburn and Brinkley**BUSINESS REGULATION – CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS –
AUDITS AND REVIEWS**

Increasing the minimum gross income amount by which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include an audit by an independent certified public accountant; altering the range of gross income amounts by which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include a review by an independent certified public accountant; and altering the range of gross income amounts by which the Secretary of State may require a specified audit or review of a charitable organization.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0452 Delegate Haddaway, et al**BUSINESS REGULATION – CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS –
AUDITS AND REVIEWS**

Increasing the minimum gross income amount by which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include an audit by an independent certified public accountant; altering the range of gross income amounts by which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include a review by an independent certified public accountant; and altering the range of gross income amounts by which the Secretary of State may require a specified audit or review of a charitable organization.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0817 Senator Jones**TASK FORCE TO STUDY PRISON VIOLENCE IN MARYLAND – RECONSTITUTION**

Reconstituting the Task Force to Study Prison Violence in Maryland; specifying the chair, membership, and duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to make legislative recommendations; requiring the Task Force to meet at specified times and places; requiring the Task Force to provide reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before specified dates; providing for staffing of the Task Force; providing for the termination of the Act; and stating the intent of the General Assembly.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0854 Senator Garagiola**HEALTH INSURANCE – DEFINITION OF COVERAGE DECISIONS – PHARMACY INQUIRIES**

Altering the definition of “coverage decision” so that it does not include a pharmacy inquiry for purposes of a specified complaint process; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB1071 Delegate Kach, et al**HEALTH INSURANCE – DEFINITION OF COVERAGE DECISIONS – PHARMACY INQUIRIES**

Altering the definition of “coverage decision” so that it does not include a pharmacy inquiry for purposes of a specified complaint process; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0860 Senator Pugh**MARYLAND NOT-FOR-PROFIT DEVELOPMENT CENTER PROGRAM – QUALIFYING NOT-FOR-PROFIT ENTITY ASSISTANCE**

Adding “qualifying not-for-profit entity” as a newly defined term under the Maryland Not-For-Profit Development Center Program; requiring the Program to provide specified assistance and support to qualifying not-for-profit entities; and making conforming changes.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB1193 Delegate Hecht, et al**MARYLAND NOT-FOR-PROFIT DEVELOPMENT CENTER PROGRAM – QUALIFYING NOT-FOR-PROFIT ENTITY ASSISTANCE**

Adding “qualifying not-for-profit entity” as a newly defined term under the Maryland Not-For-Profit Development Center Program; requiring the Program to provide specified assistance and support to qualifying not-for-profit entities; and making conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0862 Senator Pugh**CHILD FATALITY REVIEW – CHILD DEATH REVIEW CASE REPORTING SYSTEM**

Authorizing members and staff of specified State teams to provide identifying information to a national center for child death review in accordance with data use agreements that authorize access to specified information to specified persons and require the national center to act as a fiduciary agent of specified State and local teams; and establishing that specified information provided to a national center for child death review is confidential and subject to specified confidentiality and discovery protections.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0705 Delegates Pena–Melnyk and Ivey**CHILD FATALITY REVIEW – CHILD DEATH REVIEW CASE REPORTING SYSTEM**

Authorizing members and staff of specified State teams to provide identifying information to a national center for child death review in accordance with data use agreements that authorize access to specified information to specified persons and require the national center to act as a fiduciary agent of specified State and local teams; and establishing that specified information provided to a national center for child death review is confidential and subject to specified confidentiality and discovery protections.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB0896 Senator Garagiola, et al**COMMERCIAL LAW – EQUIPMENT DEALER CONTRACT ACT – SCOPE**

Altering the definitions of “dealer” and “inventory” for purposes of the Equipment Dealer Contract Act to clarify that it applies to persons engaged in the business of selling, on commission or at retail, commercial heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning equipment or repair parts.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB1068 Delegate Davis**COMMERCIAL LAW – EQUIPMENT DEALER CONTRACT ACT – SCOPE**

Altering the definitions of “dealer” and “inventory” for purposes of the Equipment Dealer Contract Act to clarify that it applies to persons engaged in the business of selling, on commission or at retail, commercial heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning equipment or repair parts.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

SB0915 Senator Forehand, et al**WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY – FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE**

Amending the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact 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 and alternates; establishing an Office of the Inspector General within the Authority; providing that the head of the Office is the Inspector General; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

SB0985 Senator Garagiola**HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR OFF-LABEL USE OF DRUGS – STANDARD REFERENCE COMPENDIA**

Altering the definition of “standard reference compendia” for purposes of health insurance coverage for off-label use of drugs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0456 Delegate Morhaim**HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR OFF-LABEL USE OF DRUGS – STANDARD REFERENCE COMPENDIA**

Altering the definition of “standard reference compendia” for purposes of health insurance coverage for off-label use of drugs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

SB1036 Senator Middleton**CREDIT REGULATION – MORTGAGE LOANS – PROOF OF ABILITY TO REPAY – EXCEPTION**

For specified mortgage loans that refinance an existing mortgage loan, establishing exceptions to the requirement that the due regard lenders and credit grantors must give to a borrower’s ability to repay specified mortgage loans includes consideration of the borrower’s debt to income ratio and verification in a specified manner of income and assets of the borrower; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB1535 Delegate Rudolph**CREDIT REGULATION – MORTGAGE LOANS – PROOF OF ABILITY TO REPAY – EXCEPTION**

For specified loans that refinance an existing mortgage loan, establishing exceptions to the requirement that the due regard lenders and credit grantors must give to a borrower’s ability to repay specified mortgage loans includes consideration of the borrower’s debt to income ratio and verification in a specified manner of income and assets of the borrower; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB1039 Senator Currie, et al**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY**

Extending the Prince George's County Hospital Authority's bidding process; clarifying the duration of a specified funding commitment of the State and Prince George's County; requiring the Authority to make specified assessments and take specified actions regarding bids for the Prince George's County health care system; requiring the Authority to complete its obligations by a specified time; requiring specified agencies to serve as consultants to the Authority; specifying the role of consultants; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB1486 Delegate Hubbard, et al**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY**

Extending the Prince George's County Hospital Authority's bidding process; clarifying the duration of a specified funding commitment of the State and Prince George's County; requiring the Authority to make specified assessments and take specified actions regarding bids for the Prince George's County health care system; requiring the Authority to complete its obligations by a specified time; requiring specified agencies to serve as consultants to the Authority; specifying the role of consultants; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB1054 Senator Lenett**STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON QUALITY CARE AT THE END OF LIFE – MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the membership of the State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life to include a representative of the nursing home industry.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0020 Delegate Sophocleus, et al**INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY (ROSA'S LAW)**

Changing references to mental retardation to an intellectual disability; changing references to a mentally retarded individual to an individual with an intellectual disability; renaming State residential centers for the mentally retarded to be State residential centers for individuals with an intellectual disability; renaming an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded (ICF-MR) to be an intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability (ICF-ID); altering definitions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0051 The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services – Code Revision)**HUMAN RELATIONS**

Adding a new title to the State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to be designated and known as "Title 20. Human Relations"; revising, restating, and recodifying laws relating to the Commission on Human Relations; revising, restating, and recodifying laws relating to various forms of discrimination and relating to enforcement of discrimination laws; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0052 The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services – Code Revision)**HUMAN RELATIONS – CROSS-REFERENCES AND CORRECTIONS**

Correcting cross-references to Article 49B (Human Relations Commission) in the Annotated Code of Maryland; correcting an error in provisions of law relating to remedies available in a specified civil action; and making technical and stylistic changes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

- HB0061 **The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**
STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION
Continuing the State Athletic Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2021, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Commission; requiring that an evaluation of the Commission be performed on or before July 1, 2020; and requiring the Commission to make a specified report on or before October 1, 2013.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
- HB0062 **The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**
STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION
Continuing the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2021, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board be performed on or before July 1, 2020; and requiring the Board to make a specified report on or before October 1, 2009.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
- HB0071 **The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**
DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES – TECHNICAL CHANGES
Making a technical change to conform the law regarding the appointment of managers within the Office of Policy Analysis to current practice.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB0076 **Delegate Nathan–Pulliam, et al**
HEPATITIS C VIRUS – PUBLIC AWARENESS AND OUTREACH – SUNSET EXTENSION
Extending to June 30, 2013, the termination date for a provision of law that requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to conduct specified outreach and public awareness campaigns regarding the hepatitis C virus.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0079 Delegates Stifler and Niemann**REAL PROPERTY – MORTGAGE FRAUD – CREATION OF FRAUDULENT DOCUMENTS**

Expanding the scope of the Maryland Mortgage Fraud Protection Act to prohibit the creation or production of a document that contains a deliberate misstatement, misrepresentation, or omission with the intent that the document be relied on by a mortgage lender, borrower, or any other party to the mortgage lending process.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0090 Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment)**DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – BAY RESTORATION FUND AND BAY RESTORATION FEE**

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

HB0109 Delegate Wood, et al**HEALTH – ISSUANCE OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES – SURVIVING SPOUSE**

Altering a provision of law to allow a certified or abridged copy of a birth certificate to be issued on request of a surviving spouse.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0119 Delegates Hubbard and Montgomery**CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS CONTAINING LEAD – MODIFICATIONS**

Altering the electronic devices, products, and materials to which the Act does not apply; clarifying the manufacturers and importers that are required to perform specified testing; clarifying the children's products that are to be tested for lead content; altering the requirements for the testing entity that is to be used by a manufacturer of a children's product; providing that a specified certificate is not required for sale of used children's products at a secondhand point of sale; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB0127 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**DEATH CERTIFICATE – CORRECTION – NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL DENIAL**

Requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to include with every copy of a death certificate that is completed by the Chief Medical Examiner a notice advising a person in interest of the right to appeal a denial of a request to correct findings and conclusions as to the cause and manner of death recorded on a death certificate; and requiring the Department to take a specified action at a specified time.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0141 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Insurance Administration, Maryland)**INSURANCE – INSURER PROVIDER PANELS – HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS**

Prohibiting an insurer from using an insurer provider panel if the provider contract for the insurer provider panel requires a provider to participate on the insurer provider panel as a condition of participating on a health maintenance organization provider panel or a non–health maintenance organization provider panel; requiring an entity arranging an insurer provider panel to provide a schedule of fees to a health care provider in writing or in electronic form at specified times; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0149 Delegates Kach and Olszewski**ESTATES AND TRUSTS – TRUST FOR CARE OF ANIMAL**

Establishing that the common-law rule against perpetuities does not apply to a specified trust created for the care of an animal alive during the lifetime of the settlor; authorizing the creation of a trust to provide for the care of an animal alive during the lifetime of the settlor; establishing when the trust terminates; authorizing specified persons to enforce the trust; providing for the distribution of property not required for the intended use of the trust; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0160 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Insurance Administration, Maryland)**INSURANCE – FRAUDULENT ACTS – INSURANCE PRODUCERS AND ADJUSTERS**

Altering the circumstances under which it is a fraudulent insurance act for a person to act as or represent to the public that the person is an insurance producer or a public adjuster in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0200 Delegate Carter**MARYLAND UNIFORM PRUDENT MANAGEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS ACT**

Repealing specified provisions of law relating to the management of institutional funds; establishing the Maryland Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act; establishing standards of conduct in managing and investing specified institutional funds; authorizing a specified institution to appropriate for expenditure or accumulate so much of a specified endowment fund as the institution determines is prudent for specified purposes; establishing a presumption of imprudence; requiring a specified notice; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB0218 Delegate Beitzel**GARRETT COUNTY – SANITARY COMMISSION – COLLECTION OF UNPAID BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS**

Authorizing the sanitary commission in Garrett County to disconnect specified sewer services to enforce the collection of unpaid benefit assessments or other charges that are at least 60 days overdue.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0277 St. Mary's County Delegation**ST. MARY'S COUNTY – APPOINTMENT TO ASSISTANT SHERIFF – RANK ELIGIBILITY**

Altering a specified provision so as to provide that, in St. Mary's County, only a deputy sheriff who holds one of the two permanent ranks immediately preceding the rank of Assistant Sheriff is eligible for appointment to Assistant Sheriff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0334 Delegate Beitzel**GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WINE AND BEER TASTING LICENSE – OFF-SITE RETAIL DELIVERY PROCEDURES – FEES**

Requiring the Garrett County Board of License Commissioners to charge a \$100 issuing fee for a wine and beer tasting license; authorizing an alcoholic beverages licensee or an employee of the licensee to make an off-site retail delivery of alcoholic beverages under specified circumstances; requiring that specified delivery forms be submitted to the Board on or before the 10th day of the following month; requiring the Board to adopt regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0374 Delegate Reznik**RADIATION THERAPISTS, RADIOGRAPHERS, NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGISTS, AND RADIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS – RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSES**

Repealing a renewal requirement for licensed radiation therapists, radiographers, nuclear medicine technologists, and radiologist assistants; and requiring specified licensees to meet any new license renewal requirements established by the State Board of Physicians.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0429 Caroline County Delegation**CAROLINE COUNTY – SHERIFF’S SALARY**

Altering the salary of the Sheriff of Caroline County from \$65,000 to \$80,000 annually; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Sheriff of Caroline County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0438 Delegate Feldman, et al**JOINT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES**

Codifying and renaming the Joint Technology Oversight Committee to be the Joint Information Technology and Biotechnology Committee; and modifying the membership and duties of the Committee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0457 Delegate Morhaim**PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENTS AND EXECUTIVE BRANCH UNITS – DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ON WEBSITES**

Requiring that secretaries of principal departments and heads of each other unit in the Executive Branch of the State government that is not in a principal department include organizational charts and specified descriptions on their websites instead of the former requirement that secretaries of principal departments and heads of specified units submit to the General Assembly an organizational chart and description by a specified day each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0507 Delegate Nathan–Pulliam, et al**INMATES – HEPATITIS C – COUNSELING AND REFERRAL TO MEDICAL HOME**

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, in collaboration with the Department of Human Resources and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to develop a process to refer inmates with Hepatitis C to the Department of Human Resources or the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for enrollment in specified programs on or before a specified date; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to provide specified counseling to inmates with Hepatitis C; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0542 Delegates Simmons and Waldstreicher**CRIMINAL LAW – HUMAN TRAFFICKING – INDUCING OR ENTICING**

Altering a provision of law prohibiting a person from knowingly persuading or encouraging another by threat or promise to be taken to or placed in any place for prostitution, to prohibit a person from knowingly persuading, inducing, enticing, or encouraging another to be taken anywhere for prostitution.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0552 Delegates Hucker and Sossi**MARYLAND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ACT – CLOSED MEETINGS OF HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

Repealing a specified condition on which a meeting of the board of directors or other governing body of a homeowners association or a committee of a homeowners association may be held in closed session; altering conditions on which a meeting of a governing body or committee of a homeowners association may be held in closed session; etc.

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HB0613 Delegate Stifler**PUBLIC SAFETY – ELEVATORS – INSPECTIONS**

Requiring a State inspector to make specified inspections relating to elevators and perform quality control monitoring of third-party qualified elevator inspectors; requiring an owner of an elevator to hire a third-party qualified elevator inspector to conduct inspections required by the Safety Code for elevator units; authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to establish, by regulation, procedures for issuing a warning notice instead of a citation under specified circumstances; etc.

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HB0616 Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – HEARING BOARD AND LIQUOR BOARD PERSONNEL HO. CO. 11-09

Specifying that personnel needed in Howard County to carry out the duties of the Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board and the Board of License Commissioners be included in the staff of the County Council and supervised by the County Council Administrator; and repealing provisions relating to a specified staffing requirement of the director of a specified agency in Howard County.

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HB0624 Allegany County Delegation

ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – VOLUNTEER COMPANY LICENSE

Establishing a Class C (volunteer company) beer, wine and liquor license in Allegany County; specifying the persons to whom the license may be issued; specifying that a holder of the license may keep and sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on or off the premises; specifying that the patrons of a club for which a license is issued are not limited to specified individuals; and providing for a \$500 license fee.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0625 Washington County Delegation

WASHINGTON COUNTY – OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF – SPECIAL DEPUTY SHERIFFS

Authorizing the Sheriff of Washington County to assign special deputy sheriffs to duties in areas of the county other than the municipality where the special deputy sheriff is a member of the police force; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0640 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY IN FORECLOSURE – NOTIFICATION TO A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION**

Authorizing a county or municipal corporation to enact a local law requiring that notice be given to a county or municipal agency or official when an order to docket or a complaint to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust is filed on residential property located in the county or municipal corporation; requiring a local law to require that specified notice must be provided to the county or municipal government or official within a specified time; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0676 Delegate Cane, et al**MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – EASEMENTS**

Authorizing the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation to enter into corrective easements to adjust boundary lines, resolve easement violations, or accommodate specified plans; and authorizing corrective easements to be accomplished by the exchange and release of farmland.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0721 Frederick County Delegation**FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WINE FESTIVAL LICENSE**

Establishing a special wine festival (WF) license in Frederick County; requiring that an applicant for a special WF license must be a holder of another license; specifying that a holder of a special WF license may display and sell wine in a specified manner; providing for a \$20 license fee; authorizing the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners to choose 2 weekends annually for wine festivals; requiring the Board to choose certain locations for the wine festivals; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0731 Howard County Delegation

BALTIMORE COUNTY AND HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS – CITIZENSHIP STATUS HO. CO. 8–09

Altering provisions of law that apply to Baltimore County and Howard County to require citizenship information or documentation on an application for an alcoholic beverages license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0760 Delegate Walkup, et al

KENT COUNTY – OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF – SALARY

Establishing the annual salary of the Sheriff of Kent County in specified calendar years; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Sheriff of Kent County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

HB0795 Delegate Impallaria, et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – LORELEY BEACH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county tax imposed on real property that is owned by the Loreley Beach Community Association; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2009; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0821 Montgomery County Delegation

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CORPORATE TRAINING CENTER LICENSE MC 902–09

Establishing in Montgomery County a Special Class B – Corporate Training Center beer, wine and liquor license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license for use in a specified corporate headquarters support facility; specifying that sales of alcoholic beverages under the license are only for on–premises consumption; and setting the annual license fee at \$2,500.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0833 Montgomery County Delegation**MONTGOMERY COUNTY – WINERY SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS –
MONTGOMERY COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR MC 928–09**

Authorizing the Office of the Comptroller to issue a winery special event permit to Class 4 Maryland limited wineries for use during the entire length of the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0835 Montgomery County Delegation**MONTGOMERY COUNTY – KENSINGTON – EXPANSION OF AREA
FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES MC 934–09**

Expanding the commercial area in the Town of Kensington in which the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners may issue specified alcoholic beverages licenses for restaurants; and prohibiting the serving of alcoholic beverages in the expanded area after 11 p.m.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009

HB0942 Queen Anne’s County Delegation**QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – LOCAL DETENTION CENTER –
COUNTY’S AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE MANAGEMENT**

Providing that the County Commissioners of Queen Anne’s County may authorize, by resolution or law, the Warden of the County Detention Center to continue the management of the County Detention Center.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009

HB0953 Anne Arundel County Delegation**FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN ANNE
ARUNDEL COUNTY – AGREEMENTS WITH FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT – REIMBURSEMENT**

Requiring, in Anne Arundel County, that any agreement entered into under a specified provision of law between a fire, rescue, or emergency medical services entity and the federal government to provide fire fighting or rescue activities on property under the jurisdiction of the United States shall include a provision that entitles the fire, rescue, or emergency medical services entity to obtain reimbursement from the appropriate federal authority for all or part of the cost; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

- HB1124 Delegate Lee, et al**
COORDINATING EMERGING NANOBIO TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH
IN MARYLAND PROGRAM – PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS
Requiring the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to foster
public–private partnerships as feasible to carry out the purpose of the
Coordinating Emerging Nanobiotechnology Research in Maryland
Program.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB1128 Prince George’s County Delegation**
PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – SHERIFF AND SHERIFF’S
DEPUTIES – ALTERATION OF DUTIES PG 304–09
Repealing a September 30, 2010, termination date concerning specified
duties of the Sheriff and Sheriff’s deputies of Prince George’s County.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB1133 Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County
Delegation**
WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION –
COMPREHENSIVE WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS
MC/PG 120–09
Requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to adopt
specified regulations on or before a specified date that establish
comprehensive employee whistleblower protections; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB1150 Delegate Donoghue, et al**
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – ANATOMIC PATHOLOGY SERVICES –
BILLING
Requiring a clinical laboratory, physician, or group practice to present to a
health care practitioner who orders but does not supervise or perform an
anatomic pathology service on a Pap test specimen, a claim, bill, or demand
for payment for providing anatomic pathology services; stating that
provisions of law do not prohibit a health care practitioner who takes a Pap
test specimen and orders but does not supervise or perform actual anatomic
pathology services from billing specified patients or payors under specified
circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

- HB1194 **Delegate Benson, et al**
OPEN MEETINGS ACT – EXPANSION OF DEFINITION OF PUBLIC BODY
Expanding the definition of “public body” under the Open Meetings Act to include specified boards, commissions, or committees that are appointed by specified entities or officials in the Executive Branch of State government and include specified members.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB1218 **Washington County Delegation**
WASHINGTON COUNTY – DEER HUNTING – DOGS
Prohibiting a person from killing a dog found pursuing a deer in Washington County.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009
- HB1399 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)**
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – INDIVIDUAL DONOR ELIGIBILITY – TAX CREDIT
Expanding the Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program to allow individuals, including fiduciaries, who are not business entities to apply for and receive a tax credit for contributions to approved projects under specified circumstances.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009
- HB1407 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**
ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND – ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE – SUNSET EXTENSION
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

HB1417 **Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment)**

WATER QUALITY AND DRINKING WATER QUALITY REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS – USE OF FUNDS

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

HB1442 **Delegate Walkup, et al**

JANE E. LAWTON CONSERVATION FUND – RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

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