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Bill #	Cross File #	Sponsor	Title	Synopsis	Comments
HB0002	SB0001	Delegate Glenn & Senator Conway	Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission Reform Act	Declaring that it is the intent of the General Assembly that programs established by the Act create a successful, but consumer-friendly medical cannabis industry in the State; establishing a Compassionate Use Fund to provide access to medical cannabis for certain individuals; requiring the Commission to evaluate a certain study of the industry, make a certain determination relating to minority and women applicants and minority and women-owned business participation in the industry, and evaluate certain programs and methods; etc.	Hearing 1/15 at 2:00 p.m. & First reading Senate Finance
HB0018	SB0993	Delegate Clark & Senator Norman	Corporations and Associations - Fee for Processing Articles of Dissolution and Certificates of Cancellation - Repeal	Repealing the nonrefundable \$100 fee charged by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation for processing articles of dissolution and certificates of cancellation filed by certain business entities with the Department.	Hearing 1/24 at 1:00 p.m., Senate Hearing 1/11
HB0019		Delegate Brooks	Solar Energy Grant Program - Minimum Grant Amounts	Establishing certain minimum grant amounts under the Solar Energy Grant Program for solar energy property installed at a certain homeowner's principal residence of at least \$2,000 for photovoltaic property and at least \$1,000 for solar water heating property with a collecting area of 10 to 100 square feet.	Hearing canceled
HB0020		Delegate Carr	Homeowners' Property Tax Credit - Calculation of Maximum Assessment	Altering the calculation of the maximum assessment of a dwelling against which the homeowners' property tax credit may be granted.	Hearing 1/25 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0038		Delegate Carr	Property Tax - Homeowners' Property Tax Credit - Definition	Altering, for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning the homeowners' property tax credit, the definition of 'total real property tax' by	Hearing 1/25 at 1:00 p.m.

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			of Total Real Property Tax	increasing, under certain circumstances, the maximum assessment against which the homeowners' property tax credit may be granted; and applying the Act to tax credits for taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.	
HB0039		Delegate Angel	Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission - Diversity	Requiring that, to the extent practicable, the members of the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission reflect the racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity of the State.	Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0043		Delegate Jackson	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Perpetual Conservation Easements	Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for the first \$100,000 in proceeds from the sale of a perpetual conservation easement on real property in the State; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	Hearing 1/17 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0050		Delegate Carr	Property Tax - Homeowners' Property Tax Credit - Definition of Total Real Property Tax	Altering the definition of 'total real property tax' for purposes of the computation of a certain homeowners' property tax credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.	Hearing 1/25 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0058		Delegate Brooks	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	Including income from certain retirement plans within a subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for retired individuals who are at least 65 years old or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0064		Delegate Jackson	Business Occupations - Real Estate Appraisers - Payment by Real Estate Appraisal Management Companies	Requiring an appraisal management company to pay the appraiser for each appraisal or valuation assignment, except under certain circumstances; decreasing from 60 to 30 the number of days after the completion of each certain appraisal or valuation assignment during which an appraisal	First Reading Finance

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				management company must pay the appraiser, except under certain circumstances.	
HB0078	SB0222	Delegate Holmes & Senator Kelley	Foreclosed Property Registry - Updated Information - Notice to Local Governments	Requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to establish procedures that require a foreclosure purchaser to submit to the Foreclosed Property Registry any change to certain information within 21 days after the change is known to the purchaser; and requiring the Department to notify, by electronic means, on receipt of an initial registration or any change to certain information, authorized users from the county and the municipal corporation in which the property is located.	Hearing 1/23 & 1/31
HB0085		Delegate Grammer	Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation - Foreclosed Property Registry - Access	Authorizing the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to authorize access to the Foreclosed Property Registry to members of local legislative bodies and members of the General Assembly; requiring the Department, on request of a member of a local legislative body or a member of the General Assembly, to provide information from the Foreclosed Property Registry to the member making the request; and defining 'local legislative body'.	Hearing 1/23 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0089		Chair, Ways and Means Committee	Property Tax Credit - Public Safety Officers - Administration	Repealing a certain requirement that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation be responsible for certain administrative duties relating to a credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on a certain dwelling that is owned by a certain public safety officer under certain circumstances; repealing a requirement that a county or municipal corporation reimburse the Department for certain administrative costs relating to the credit; etc.	Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.

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HB0090		Chair, Ways and Means Committee	Personal Property Tax - Exemption for Low Assessments	Exempting from the personal property tax persons with personal property that had a total original cost of less than \$2,500; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018.	Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0098	SB0135	House Speaker & Senate President	Paid Leave Compromise Act of 2018	Requiring certain employers with at least a certain number of employees to provide employees with paid time off that is paid at the same wage rate as the employee normally earns and that may be used by the employee for any reason; authorizing an employer to apply to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation for a certain waiver; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to create and make available a certain poster and notice; etc.	Hearing 3/06 at 1:00 p.m. & Senate First reading
HB0099	SB0134	House Speaker & Senate President	Small Business Relief Tax Credit	Authorizing a tax credit against the State income tax for certain small businesses that provide certain employer benefits to qualified employees; providing for the calculation of the credit; requiring the Department of Commerce to issue a tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; providing that the total amount of tax credit certificates issued by the Department may not exceed a certain amount for each taxable year; making the Act contingent on the taking effect of another Act; etc.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0108		Delegate Lafferty	Department of Housing and Community Development - Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program - Application Requirement	Repealing the requirement that an application to the Department of Housing and Community Development for funds under the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program contain a local government resolution of support or letter of support; and applying the Act.	Hearing canceled

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HB0120		Delegate Knotts	Property Tax Credit - Education Tax Relief for Elderly Individuals	Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the portion of the county property tax that is used to fund the county board of education and is imposed on real property that is owned by and used as the principal residence of an individual who is at least 65 years old; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to provide for certain matters relating to the tax credit; etc.	Hearing canceled
HB0129		Delegate Knotts	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income of Correctional Officers	Expanding a certain subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax to the first \$15,000 of retirement income attributable to a resident's employment as a correctional officer under certain circumstances; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0131	SB0650	Delegate Korman & Senator King	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - College Savings Plan Accounts - Contributions (College Savings Tax Enhancement Act)	Increasing, from \$2,500 to \$5,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for contributions made by certain individuals whose federal adjusted gross income does not exceed \$225,000 or, in the case of a married individual filing a separate return, \$150,000 to certain college savings plan accounts; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.
HB0134	SB0174	Delegate Kelly & Senator Middleton	Health Insurance and Health Benefit Plan Premium Rate Review Process	Altering the factors the Maryland Insurance Commissioner is required to consider in a certain manner in determining whether to disapprove or modify a premium rate filing.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.
HB0161	SB0187	House Speaker & Senate President	Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2018	Authorizing or altering the distribution of certain revenue; altering or repealing certain required appropriations; repealing a requirement that the	First Reading Appropriations

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				Comptroller pay certain amounts from a certain Special Fund for a certain purpose; reducing the maximum amount of certain teacher or school employee stipends; providing a certain amount of aid to certain institutions of higher education in accordance with a certain action by the Board of Public Works; altering certain rate increases for community service providers; etc.	
HB0182		Prince George's County Delegation	Prince George's County - Vacant and Abandoned Residential Property - Foreclosure PG 404-18	Authorizing Prince George's County or a municipality in Prince George's County, with regard to certain vacant and abandoned residential property in Prince George's County, to file an action to compel any mortgagees to complete a mortgage foreclosure proceeding or have the mortgage discharged under certain circumstances.	First Reading Environment and Transportation
HB0187	SB0006	Chair, Economic Matters & Senate Finance committees	Financial Institutions Non-depository Special Fund Expansion	Requiring certain revenue, fees, and examination and investigation fees and assessments relating to the licensure of collection agencies, consumer lenders, installment lenders, sales finance companies, mortgage lenders, check cashing services, and credit services businesses to be credited to the Nondepository Special Fund; altering the composition and the purpose of the Fund; etc.	Favorable with Amendments Report by Economic Matters
HB0210		Prince George's County Delegation	Prince George's County - Abandoned Property - Special Property Tax Rate PG 400-18	Requiring the governing body of Prince George's County to set a special property tax rate that is 15% greater than the tax rate that is generally applicable to real property for a class of real property that consists of certain abandoned property for which there is a record owner; and providing that a requirement that the county set a single property tax rate for all real property does	Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.

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				not apply to the special property tax rate on abandoned property.	
HB0236		Prince George's County Delegation	Prince George's County - Affordable Housing Commission PG 408-18	Establishing the Affordable Housing Commission for Prince George's County; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to review certain procedures and practices and use certain information to examine the state of affordable housing in the county; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to certain persons on or before January 1, 2019; etc.	First Reading Environment and Transportation
HB0260		Delegate Carr	Campaign Finance - Disclosure of Contributions and Expenditures - Preelection Period	Requiring a political committee to file a contribution report within 48 hours after receiving a single contribution, transfer, or loan of \$1,000 or more; requiring a political committee to file an expenditure report within 48 hours after making a single expenditure of \$10,000 or more; requiring contribution reports to include certain information; requiring expenditure reports to include certain information; applying the Act; etc.	Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0266		Delegate Rey	Condominiums - Lien Priority - Unpaid Water and Sewer Charges	Providing that, in the case of a foreclosure of a mortgage or deed of trust on a condominium unit, a certain portion of the condominium's liens on the unit has priority over the claim of a holder of a first mortgage or first deed of trust under certain circumstances; providing that the portion of a condominium's liens that has a certain priority shall consist solely of certain unpaid water and sewer charges not exceeding a certain amount under certain circumstances; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.	Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0272		Delegate Cluster	Sales and Use Tax - Rate Reduction	Reducing the rate of the sales and use tax from 6% to 5%; altering the percentage of gross receipts	Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.

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				from vending machine sales to which the sales and use tax rate applies from 94.5% to 95.25%; etc.	
HB0279		Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee	Housing and Community Development - Homebuyer Education Requirements	Altering certain homebuyer education requirements for a loan recipient in the Down Payment and Settlement Expense Loan Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; allowing a loan recipient to use the online homebuyer education for a HUD-approved product and contact a HUD-approved agency for a certificate; providing that certain provisions do not alter or preempt the authority of a political subdivision to establish homebuyer education or counseling requirements for down payment assistance; etc.	Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0305	SB0158	Delegate Tarlau & Senator Rosapepe	Homestead Property Tax Credit Program - Eligibility Awareness	Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, on or before February 1, 2019, and at least every 3 years thereafter, to identify certain homeowners who may be eligible for but have failed to apply for a certain homestead property tax credit; requiring the Department to contact each homeowner identified under the Act by mail to inform the homeowner that the homeowner may be eligible for the property tax credit and how to apply for the credit; etc.	Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0310		Delegate Wivell	Public Safety â€“ Elevators â€“ Periodic Inspections	Altering, from annually to every 3 years, the frequency with which an elevator unit that is subject to a certain service contract and has not failed an inspection is required to have a certain periodic inspection.	Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0354	SB0299	House Speaker & Senate President	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Correctional Officers	Including certain individuals employed by the Department of Juvenile Services in the membership of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; providing a subtraction modification under the	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.

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			(Hometown Heroes Act of 2018)	Maryland income tax under certain circumstances for a certain amount of retirement income attributable to an individual's employment as a correctional officer; applying certain provisions of the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	
HB0362	SB0312	House Speaker & Senate President	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Military Retirement Income	Phasing out, over 3 taxable years, a certain limitation on the amount of certain military retirement income that may be included in a certain subtraction modification under the State income tax.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0363	SB0305	House Speaker & Senate President	More Jobs for Marylanders Act 2.0	Altering the definition of 'qualified distressed county' by altering certain income levels in the definition and renaming it to be 'Tier I county'; altering the scope of eligible projects for which a business entity may apply to enroll in the More Jobs for Marylanders Program; altering the types of businesses authorized to receive certain credits and benefits under the Program; authorizing a certain county to select certain activities for eligibility for the Program; etc.	First Reading Ways and Means
HB0365	SB0184	Delegate Walker & Senator Kasemeyer	Income Tax - Personal Exemptions - Alteration	Altering the determination of the number of exemptions that an individual may use to calculate a certain deduction under the Maryland income tax; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0374		Delegate Fisher	Personal Property Tax - Exemption for Business Personal Property	Exempting business personal property from the property tax imposed by a county or municipal corporation, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to identify certain provisions of law and submit a certain report to the General Assembly;	Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.

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				and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.	
HB0380		Delegate Fisher	Personal Property Tax - Investments in Maryland	Providing an exemption from personal property tax for property that is owned by a business that has organized under the laws of Maryland during the current tax year or that has relocated its headquarters to Maryland during the current tax year; exempting certain personal property from a property tax imposed by a county or municipal corporation for all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2020; providing that certain personal property remains subject to county or municipal corporation property tax; etc.	Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0405	SB0011	Delegate Chang & Senator Young	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	Including income from certain retirement plans within a certain subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals; altering the calculation of the subtraction modification; increasing the maximum amount of the subtraction modification allowed for certain taxable years; and prohibiting an individual from qualifying for the subtraction if the total income from all qualified plans for the taxable year exceeds \$100,000.	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0434	SB0529	Delegate Davis & Senator Astle	Vehicle Manufacturers - Notice to Purchasers and Lessees - Warranty Requirements	Requiring a motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch to provide a certain notice of warranty requirements to the purchaser or lessee of a new motor vehicle within 90 days after the purchase or lease of the motor vehicle.	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0457	SB0813	Delegate Long & Senator Salling	Baltimore County - Property Tax - Homestead Tax Credit Percentage	Decreasing the maximum homestead property tax credit percentage in Baltimore County from 110% to 103%; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.	Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.

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HB0463	SB0972	Delegate Morales	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - First-Time Homebuyer Savings Accounts	Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for contributions to a certain first-time homebuyer savings account during a taxable year and certain earnings on the account; providing that an account holder may claim the subtraction modification under certain circumstances; providing that transfers of money to or from the account are subject to certain requirements and limitations; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0472	SB0493	Delegate Stein & Senator Norman	Real Property - Residential Leases - Collectible Rent (Rent Transparency Act)	Authorizing a landlord who uses a written lease to collect certain fees and charges as rent under certain conditions; providing that the Act applies only if the written lease used by a landlord includes a certain provision and provides a certain notice; requiring a lease to include notice of the ratio utility billing system used to allocate certain charges, under certain circumstances; prohibiting a landlord from filing a complaint for repossession if the only unpaid fee or charge is for water and is under \$50; etc.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0473		Delegate Ali	Baltimore City - Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance - Notice and Use of Consumer Report	Requiring an insurer, at the time of application for or issuance of a certain policy of private passenger motor vehicle liability insurance in Baltimore City, to provide an applicant or an insured a certain written notice relating to certain consumer reporting agencies; requiring an insurer to provide certain notice at the time of each policy renewal; requiring a certain insurer that classifies an applicant or insured in a classification that results in a higher premium to refund certain excess premium and fees; etc.	Hearing 2/01 at 1:00 p.m.

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HB0475		Delegate Ali	Baltimore City - Tax Sales - Accrual of Property Tax, Interest, and Penalties	Prohibiting tax on real property in Baltimore City from accruing after the tax has been in arrears for at least 3 years and the property has not been sold at tax sale during the 3-year period; prohibiting certain interest for unpaid tax accruing on real property in Baltimore City if the property meets certain conditions; prohibiting certain penalties for unpaid tax accruing on real property in Baltimore City if the property meets certain conditions; etc.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0476		Delegate Ali	Income Tax Credit - Employment of Diversion Program Participants (Second Chance Act)	Allowing a credit against the State income tax for certain wages paid by certain business entities to employees who participate in a diversion program that provides rehabilitation and training services in lieu of criminal prosecution to an individual charged with a nonviolent criminal offense; providing for the calculation of the credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0512	SB0377	Delegate Young, K. & Senator Lee	Labor and Employment â€“ Pay Scales and Wage History Information	Requiring an employer to provide the pay scale for a position to an applicant for employment on request; prohibiting employers from relying on wage history information, except under certain circumstances, for certain purposes and seeking the wage history information by certain methods and from certain persons; specifying that an employer is not subject to a certain criminal penalty for a violation of certain provisions of the Act; etc.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0540		Delegate Korman	Labor and Employment - Pre-Tax Transportation Fringe Benefit - Requirement	Requiring certain employers to provide certain employees an opportunity to use a certain pre-tax transportation fringe benefit; authorizing an employee to file a written complaint with the Commissioner of Labor and Industry under certain	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.

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			(Maryland Pre-Tax Commuter Benefit Act)	circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to attempt to resolve a certain matter informally or request the Attorney General to bring a certain action on behalf of the employee; providing that an employer that violates the Act is subject to a certain civil penalty; etc.	
HB0541		Delegate Mosby	Labor and Employment â€“ Criminal Record Screening Practices (Ban the Box)	Prohibiting certain employers from requiring an applicant for employment to disclose certain information regarding the criminal record of the applicant, conducting a certain criminal history records check, or taking other certain action before a conditional offer of employment has been extended; authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to resolve certain complaints informally or to use mediation; authorizing the Commissioner to ask the Attorney General to bring a certain action on behalf of the applicant or employee; etc.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0566	SB0195	Delegate Healey & Senator Pinsky	Business Relief and Tax Fairness Act of 2018	Prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from imposing a fee for the filing of certain documents by corporations or business entities with 10 or fewer employees; requiring certain corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain combined reporting method; requiring, subject to certain regulations, certain groups of corporations to file a combined income tax return reflecting the aggregate income tax liability of all the members of the group; etc.	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0585		Delegate Krebs	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	Including income from certain retirement plans within a certain subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals who are at least 65 years of age or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; repealing	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.

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			(Fairness in Taxation for Retirees Act)	a certain obsolete provision relating to a rollover individual retirement account; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	
HB0586		Delegate Krebs	State Property Tax - Homestead Property Tax Assessment Cap Reduction	Reducing from 110% to 105% the homestead property tax credit percentage for the State property tax; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2019.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0587	SB0194	Delegate Krebs & Senator Serafini	Calculation of Taxable Income - Itemized Deductions - Property Taxes	Allowing an individual, under certain circumstances, to increase the amount of itemized deductions used to determine Maryland taxable income by the amount of certain real or personal property taxes paid by the individual and not included as part of the individual's federal itemized deductions; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0588		Delegate Krebs	Income Tax - Rate Brackets, Personal Exemptions, and Standard Deduction - Cost-of-Living Adjustments	Altering certain State income tax rate bracket thresholds by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; altering the amount of certain exemptions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; altering the minimum and maximum limitation amounts of certain standard deductions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0589	SB0191	Delegate Krebs & Senator Serafini	Income Tax - Itemized Deductions	Allowing an individual to itemize deductions to compute Maryland taxable income whether or not the individual itemizes deductions on the individual's federal income tax return; providing that, for an individual who does not itemize deductions on the individual's federal income tax	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.

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				return, Maryland itemized deductions shall be determined as if an individual itemized deductions on the federal income tax return; applying the Act to tax years after 2018; etc.	
HB0593		Delegate Hettleman	Income Tax - Student Loan Tax Credit	Expanding the student loan tax credit that allows certain individuals with certain student loan debt amounts to claim a credit against the State income tax to include graduate student loan debt.	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0613		Delegate Hornberger	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Employee-Owned Businesses	Allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for income from a qualified transfer of stock or membership interest of a Maryland corporation or limited liability company to certain employee ownership entities; limiting the amount of the subtraction if the transfer is to a direct share ownership plan; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	First Reading Ways and Means
HB0624		Delegate Ali	Public Institutions of Higher Education â€“ Family Members of Killed or Disabled First Responders â€“ Tuition Exemption (Sean Suiter Act)	Exempting a family member of a certain first responder who was killed or disabled in the line of duty from paying tuition and certain fees at a public institution of higher education; and defining the term 'family member' as a spouse, domestic partner, or child.	Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0635	SB0837	Delegate Sydnor & Senator Smith	Courts and Judicial Proceedings - Consumer Contracts	Prohibiting a merchant in a certain consumer contract from extending the period of time during which the merchant may file a civil action at law against a consumer; prohibiting a merchant in a certain consumer contract from shortening the period of time during which a consumer may file a civil action at law against a merchant; establishing that a violation of certain provisions of the Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice and is subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; etc.	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.

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HB0644		Delegate Lam	State Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Elementary and Secondary Education Expenses	Excluding from a subtraction modification certain contributions to and distributions from a certain investment plan that is used for certain elementary and secondary education expenses; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0648		Delegate Miller, A.	Maryland Consumers' Rights	Authorizing a court to award actual damages or \$1,000, whichever is greater, and treble damages under certain circumstances to a person who is injured by a violation of the Maryland Consumer Protection Act.	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0664	SB0543	Delegate Hettleman & Senator Madaleno	Labor and Employment - Payment of the Minimum Wage Required (Fight for Fifteen)	Specifying the State minimum wage rate that is in effect for certain time periods; increasing, except under certain circumstances, the State minimum wage rate based on the annual growth in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area; specifying the tip credit amount that is in effect for certain time periods; prohibiting an employer, beginning July 1, 2026, from including the tip credit amount as part of the wage of certain employees; etc.	Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0669		Delegate Beidle	Real Property - Homeowners Associations - Definition of Lot	Altering the definition of 'lot' in the Maryland Homeowners Association Act to include any legally subdivided plot or parcel of land on which a dwelling is located or will be located within a development; and applying the Act retroactively.	Hearing 2/20 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0673	SB0022	Delegate Barron & Senator Smith	Debt Collection - Exemptions From Attachment	Altering the amount of wages of a judgment debtor that are exempt from attachment; making a conforming change; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m. (Judiciary)

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HB0674		Delegate Miller, W.	Business Regulation - Home Improvement Contracts	<p>Authorizing certain home improvement retailers to obtain the full contract price of a home improvement contract before or at the time of execution of the contract under certain circumstances; requiring certain home improvement retailers to post an irrevocable letter of credit in a certain amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for a certain purpose; authorizing certain owners to file a complaint with the Maryland Home Improvement Commission under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to investigate certain complaints; etc.</p>	Hearing 2/20 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0677	SB0477	Delegate Pena-Melnyk & Senator Kagan	Public Information Act - Required Denials - Physical Addresses, E-Mail Addresses, and Telephone Numbers	<p>Requiring a custodian to deny inspection of a distribution list and a request to be added to a distribution list that identifies a physical address, an e-mail address, or a telephone number of an individual that is used by a governmental entity or an elected official for the sole purpose of periodically sending news about certain activities or sending informational notices or emergency alerts; etc.</p>	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0680	SB0021	Delegate Healey & Senator Benson	Maryland Cooperative Housing Act - Dispute Settlement and Eviction Procedures	<p>Specifying that a certain dispute settlement mechanism does not apply to complaints or demands arising out of a cooperative housing member's failure to pay certain assessments owed to the cooperative housing corporation; repealing a requirement that the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation hold a hearing on a certain alleged violation under certain circumstances; authorizing a member to request a hearing on a certain alleged violation within a certain time frame; etc.</p>	Hearing 2/20 at 1:00 p.m.

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HB0693	SB0612	Delegate McIntosh & Senator Ferguson	State Education Aid - Tax Increment Financing Development Districts - Repeal of Sunset Provision	Repealing the termination provision of a certain provision of law relating to the annual certification of the amount of assessable base for certain real property for the purposes of calculating certain State education aid.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0697		Delegate Afzali	Individual Income Tax - Itemized Deductions on State Income Tax Return	Allowing an individual, under certain circumstances, to itemize deductions to compute Maryland taxable income whether or not the individual itemizes deductions on the individual's federal income tax return; providing that Maryland itemized deductions shall be determined in a certain manner for an individual who does not itemize deductions on the individual's federal income tax return; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0710	SB0202	Delegate Carey & Senator Lee	Consumer Protection - Credit Report Security Freezes - Notice and Fees	Prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from charging a fee for the placement of a security freeze requested by a consumer or a certain consumer representative under certain circumstances; prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from charging a fee for the temporary lift or removal of a security freeze that has been placed on the consumer's credit report; and altering the contents of a certain notice that must be included with a certain summary of rights provided to a consumer.	Hearing 2/16 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0737		Delegate Mosby	Election Law - Campaign Finance Reports - Bank Statements	Requiring a campaign finance report to include bank statements documenting all expenditures made by or on behalf of the campaign finance entity during the reporting period, with any personal identifying information, including bank account numbers, redacted; etc.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.

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HB0755		Delegate Mosby	Campaign Finance - Illegal Contributions - Fair Campaign Financing Fund	Prohibiting a campaign finance entity that receives a contribution in violation of certain provisions of law from using the contribution; requiring the campaign finance entity to remit the illegal contribution to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; requiring the Comptroller to credit an illegal contribution to the Fund; etc.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0759		Delegate Sydnor	Election Law – Campaign Finance Entities – Limit on Cash Contributions	Increasing the maximum amount of a contribution of money from \$100 to \$400 that can be made by cash to a campaign finance entity during an election cycle.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0791	SB0748	Delegate Kramer & Senator Astle	Interception of Communication - Financial Institutions	Providing that it is lawful under certain provisions of law for an employee or agent of a financial institution to intercept and record a certain oral communication under certain circumstances; providing that a certain audio recording shall be preserved for at least 30 calendar days; providing that a certain audio recording may be made in certain formats; and providing that a certain audio recording may be made available by a financial institution only to certain persons under certain circumstances.	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0802		Delegate Fisher	Retire in Maryland Act of 2018	Including income from certain retirement plans and unearned income sources within a subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals who are at least 65 years old or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; repealing the limitation on the maximum amount allowed as a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain retirement income; applying the Act to taxable years after December 31, 2017; etc.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.

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HB0818		Delegate West	Corporate Income Tax - Rate Reduction	Reducing, from 8.25% to 6.0%, the State corporate income tax rate by reducing the rate by 0.25% each year for 9 years.	First Reading Ways and Means
HB0822		Delegate Krimm	Personnel and Pensions - Phased Retirement Plan - Development and Implementation	Requiring, on or before July 1, 2020, the Department of Budget and Management and the State Retirement Agency to develop and, to the extent authorized under law, implement a certain phased retirement plan for certain eligible individuals; requiring, on or before July 1, 2019, the Department and the Agency to submit the finalized plan to the Department of Legislative Services and certain committees of the General Assembly; terminating certain provisions of the Act after June 30, 2021; etc.	First Reading Appropriations
HB0842	SB0227	Delegate Brooks & Senator Young	Small Business Fairness Act of 2018	Requiring certain retail trade and food services corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain method; requiring, subject to regulations, certain groups of retail trade and food services corporations to file a combined income tax return reflecting the aggregate income tax liability of all the members of the group; requiring the Comptroller to report to the General Assembly by March 31 each year an estimate of the total additional tax revenue resulting from the combined reporting method; etc.	First Reading Ways and Means and Economic Matters
HB0848		Chair, Economic Matters Committee	Commissioner of Financial Regulation - Consumer Reporting Agencies	Altering the number of consumer reports that a consumer reporting agency must provide without imposing a fee; prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from charging a consumer or a protected consumer for any service relating to a security freeze; prohibiting a person from operating as a consumer reporting agency unless the person is	Hearing 2/16 at 1:00 p.m.

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				registered as a consumer reporting agency with the Commissioner of Financial Regulation; etc.	
HB0856	SB0647	Delegate Hixson & Senator Madaleno	Earned Income Tax Credit - Individuals Without Qualifying Children - Expansion	Altering the calculation of the Maryland earned income tax credit to allow certain individuals without qualifying children to claim an increased credit; expanding eligibility of the credit to allow certain individuals without certain qualifying children to claim the credit; allowing certain individuals to claim the credit without regard to a certain age limitation; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	First Reading Ways and Means
HB0867	SB0805	Delegate Rosenberg & Senator Oaks	Baltimore City - Table Game Proceeds - Recreational Facilities and School Programs	Altering the requirement that proceeds from certain table games paid to Baltimore City be used for certain purposes to include funding the operation of recreational facilities beyond the hours in effect as of January 1, 2016, and for after-school and summer school programs in Baltimore City public schools.	Hearing 2/16 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0873	SB0659	Delegate Kramer & Senator Feldman	Corporations – Transfer of Assets and Exchange of Shares of Stock	Repealing a certain provision of law specifying a certain processing fee for articles of transfer; repealing each provision of law regarding executing and filing articles of transfer; altering the types of actions not required by a corporation for certain transfers of assets, creations of security interests, or exchanges of shares of stocks; altering the circumstances under which a corporation is not required to take certain actions for certain transfers of assets, creations of security interests, or exchanges of shares of stock; etc.	Hearing 2/16 at 1:00 p.m.
HB0875	SB0733	House Speaker & Senate President	Protecting Maryland Taxpayers Act of 2018	Repealing a requirement that an amendment to the Internal Revenue Code be enacted during the calendar year in which the taxable year begins that the amendment affects in order for the	First Reading Ways and Means

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				amendment not to impact the determination of Maryland taxable income; allowing an individual to itemize deductions to compute Maryland taxable income whether or not the individual itemizes deductions on the individual's federal tax return; providing that Maryland itemized deductions may be determined in a certain manner; applying the Act; etc.	
HB0883		Delegate Queen	Income Tax Credits - Employer Child Care Center and Employer-Provided Child Care Services	Authorizing a credit against the State income tax for certain taxpayers who incur qualified expenses for a child care center that provides child care services for the children of the taxpayer's employees or who compensate a child care provider or child care referral service under certain circumstances; requiring the State Department of Education, on application of a taxpayer, to issue a tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	First Reading Ways and Means
HB0887		Delegate Shoemaker	Criminal Law - Death Penalty - Murder of Specific Individuals or Mass Murder	Providing that a person who is convicted of murder in the first degree may be sentenced to death under certain circumstances; providing that the murder of a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, a certain first responder, or a certain witness, or a certain mass murder, under certain circumstances, is an aggravating circumstance that the court or jury must consider in making a determination as to the imposition of the death penalty; establishing procedures for the imposition of the death penalty; etc.	First Reading Judiciary
HB0906		Delegate Flanagan	Income Tax - Itemized Deductions and Personal Exemptions	Altering the amounts allowed as deductions for certain exemptions under the Maryland income tax; allowing certain individuals to itemize	First Reading Ways and Means

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				deductions to compute Maryland taxable income; allowing an individual, under certain circumstances, to increase the amount of itemized deductions used to determine Maryland taxable income by a certain amount of real or personal property taxes paid by the individual; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	
HB0918		Delegate Fisher	Calvert County - Personal Property Tax - Exemption	Exempting certain personal property from the Calvert County property tax; providing that certain personal property remains subject to the Calvert County property tax including the operating personal property of a railroad or public utility and certain property used to provide cable television, data, or telecommunication services; providing that certain personal property subject to a payment in lieu of taxes agreement shall be subject to the Calvert County property tax on the termination of the agreement; applying the Act; etc.	First Reading Ways and Means
HB0919		Delegate Saab	Public Safety - Handgun Permit - Renewal	Repealing the requirement that an applicant complete a certain firearms training course prior to a renewal of a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun; altering the term of a renewal permit; and limiting the number of times that a permit may be renewed.	First Reading Judiciary
HB0922		Delegate Kipke	Maryland Department of Health - 'Pill Mill' Tip Line	Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on or before December 1, 2018, to establish a certain tip line through which a person may report a certain individual who the reporting person suspects is prescribing medication or overprescribing medication in violation of certain provisions of law; requiring the Department to endeavor to ensure that a certain phone number	First Reading Health and Government Operations

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				translates alphanumerically to a memorable word or phrase; etc.	
HJ0002	SJ0004	Delegate McIntosh & Senator Klausmeier	Increasing Maryland's Competitiveness Through Gender Diversity in Boardrooms	Recognizing certain evidence showing a deficiency in the gender diversity of Maryland boardrooms and the comparative high performance of companies where women are more strongly represented in top management; encouraging equitable and diverse gender representation on the boards and in senior management of companies and organizations in the State of Maryland; and urging certain institutions and companies to have a minimum of 30% of women directors by December 31, 2021; etc.	First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations
SB0010		Senator Kasemeye	Property Tax Assessments - Physical Inspection of Property	Repealing a requirement that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation or the supervisor of assessments for a county value all real property once in every 3-year cycle based on an exterior physical inspection of the real property; and requiring the Department's review of each real property assessment in every 3-year cycle to include a physical inspection under certain circumstances.	Hearing 1/18 at 2:30 p.m.
SB0035		Senator Norman	Labor and Employment - Lien for Unpaid Wages - District Court Jurisdiction	Establishing that the District Court has concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit courts over proceedings under certain provisions of law regarding liens for unpaid wages and has the powers of a court in equity in those proceedings; authorizing a certain employer to dispute a lien for unpaid wages by filing a complaint in the District Court sitting in the county where property of an employer is located; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc.	Hearing 1/16 at 1:00 p.m.

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SB0042		Senator Norman	Courts - Consumer Debt Collection Actions - Statute of Limitations	Repealing a certain provision of law relating to the statute of limitations on consumer debt collection actions; and clarifying that a prohibition on reviving the statute of limitations period after certain activity on debt occurs applies only after the expiration of the statute of limitations.	Hearing 1/16 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0050		Senator Mathias	Income Tax â€“ Subtraction Modification â€“ Retirement Income of Law Enforcement, Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Services Personnel â€“ Eligibility	Altering a certain subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax to include certain retirement income attributable to a resident's employment with the District of Columbia as a law enforcement officer or member of a fire, rescue, or emergency services organization; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:30 p.m.
SB0052		Chair, Finance Committee	Insurance - Medicare Supplement Policy Plans - Conformity to Federal Law	Altering references to certain Medicare supplement policy plans to conform with certain provisions in federal law; etc.	First Reading Health and Government Operations
SB0056		Senator Norman	Civil Actions and Procedures - Garnishments - Spousal Property	Providing that a garnishment against property held in a certain joint account is valid unless the persons named on the account were married prior to a certain date; establishing a presumption that the garnishment is valid unless, within 30 days after service of the writ of garnishment on the garnishee, either spouse files a motion objecting to the garnishment and serves a copy of the motion on the judgment creditor, the garnishee, and any other person named on the account; etc.	Hearing 1/16 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0061		Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee	Child Support - Noncustodial Parent Employment Assistance Pilot	Repealing the requirement that the Noncustodial Parent Employment Assistance Pilot Program include documentation of a noncustodial parent's compliance status at 14 days after the effective	First Reading Judiciary

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			Program - Documentation and Reporting	date of a certain consent agreement; and altering certain Program evaluation reporting requirements.	
SB0065		Senator Benson	Real Property - Regulation of Common Ownership Community Managers	Creating the State Board of Common Ownership Community Managers in the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation for purposes of regulating common ownership community property management services in the State; providing for the composition of the Board; providing that the Act does not prohibit certain persons from providing services under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to be issued a license by the Board before providing management services for a common ownership community under certain circumstances; etc.	Hearing canceled
SB0068		Senator Norman	Business Regulation - Collection Agencies - Exemptions From Licensure	Altering the exemption from the requirement that a person must have a license to operate as a collection agency to include all lawyers, and employees under the supervision of a lawyer, who are collecting a debt for a client; repealing the requirement that lawyers who have employees who are nonlawyers primarily engaged in debt collection must have a license to operate as a collection agency; etc.	Hearing 2/01 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0072		Senator Young	Motor Vehicle Insurance - Use of Credit History in Rating Policies	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 certain 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 certain limitations and requirements; etc.	Hearing 1/23 at 2:15 p.m.

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SB0084		Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee	Real Property Tax - Exemption Applications - Approval Authority	Requiring that the supervisor of assessments for a county, rather than the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, approve or reject an application for an exemption of real property from the property tax.	First Reading Ways and Means
SB0086		Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee	Charitable Organizations - Registration Late Fees - Distribution and Use	Requiring \$100 of the annual fees as well as the late fees paid by a charitable organization for failure to timely file a registration that are collected by the Secretary of State to be distributed to the Charitable Enforcement Fund, to be used to support the actions of the Secretary of State and the Attorney General to carry out certain duties relating to the protection of charitable assets and the enforcement of the Maryland Solicitations Act.	First Reading Economic Matters
SB0093		Senator Norman	Real Property - Wrongful Detainer Actions - Counterclaims and Cross-Claims	Repealing a certain prohibition on filing a counterclaim or cross-claim in a wrongful detainer action; and authorizing a counterclaim or cross-claim to be filed in a wrongful detainer action.	Hearing 1/11 at 1:15 p.m.
SB0099		Senator Norman	Public Safety - Permit to Carry, Wear, or Transport a Handgun - Qualifications	Clarifying that personal protection or self-defense can qualify as a good and substantial reason to wear, carry, or transport a handgun for purposes of the issuance by the Secretary of State Police of a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun.	Hearing 1/17 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0157		Senator Brochin	Courts - Small Claims - Jurisdictional Limit	Increasing from \$5,000 to \$7,500 the minimum amount in controversy in civil cases over which the District Court and the circuit courts have concurrent jurisdiction; increasing from \$5,000 to \$7,500 the maximum amount of money over which the District Court has exclusive jurisdiction in a small claim action; increasing from \$5,000 to \$7,500 the minimum amount in controversy in civil	Special Order until 2/7 (Senator Ferguson) Adopted

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				cases in which appeals from the District Court are required to be heard on the record; etc.	
SB0165		Senator Serafini	Income Tax - Flat Tax	Altering the State individual income tax rate to be 3.9% for individuals or spouses filing joint returns with federal adjusted gross income in excess of \$30,000; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:30 p.m.
SB0166		Senator Serafini	Corporate Income Tax - Federal Repatriation Holiday	Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland corporate income tax for certain dividends included in federal taxable income as a result of a certain repatriation holiday enacted by federal legislation; requiring the Comptroller to provide for the administration of the Act if certain federal legislation is enacted; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0177		Senator Manno	Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program and Electric Vehicle Excise Tax Credit - Fiscal Year 2017 Applicants	Establishing the Fiscal Year 2017 Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program to provide rebates to individuals and entities that qualified for a rebate in fiscal year 2017 but did not receive it due to a limitation on the total amount of rebates to be issued in fiscal year 2017; limiting the rebate to applicants that applied for a rebate during fiscal year 2017; allowing a credit against the motor vehicle excise tax for certain qualified plug-in electric drive vehicles; etc.	Hearing 1/30 at 1:30 p.m.
SB0179		Senator Guzzone	Property Tax Credits - Real Property Used for Robotics Programs	Authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property used exclusively for the purposes of a public school robotics program or nonprofit robotics program in the State; authorizing the governing body of a	First Reading Ways and Means

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				county or municipal corporation to provide, by law, for certain matters relating to the tax credit; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.	
SB0181		Senator Astle	Medical Cannabis - Provider Applications - Opioid Use Disorder	Encouraging the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission to approve certain patient applications for patients who have an opioid use disorder.	Hearing canceled
SB0191	HB0589	Senator Serafini	Income Tax - Itemized Deductions	Allowing an individual to itemize deductions to compute Maryland taxable income whether or not the individual itemizes deductions on the individual's federal income tax return; providing that, for an individual who does not itemize deductions on the individual's federal income tax return, Maryland itemized deductions shall be determined as if an individual itemized deductions on the federal income tax return; applying the Act to tax years after 2018; etc.	Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0193		Senator Serafini	Income Tax - Interest Rate - Wynne Case	Repealing a requirement that the Comptroller set the annual interest rate on income tax refunds that result from the decision under Maryland State Comptroller of the Treasury v. Brian Wynne at a certain amount; requiring the Comptroller to pay additional interest amounts to taxpayers that received income tax refunds with interest calculated using a certain interest rate; etc.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:30 p.m.
SB0206		Senator Manno	Long-Term Care Insurance - Premium Rates and Benefits	Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Health from considering certain benefits and distributions for purposes of determining allowable yearly income under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; prohibiting a certain carrier from increasing a certain premium under a policy or contract of long-term care insurance from June 1,	Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.

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				2018, to December 31, 2019, both inclusive; authorizing a certain carrier to increase a certain premium beginning January 1, 2020, only if certain conditions are met; etc.	
SB0216		Senator Norman	Condominiums and Homeowners Associations - Priority of Liens - Included Charges	Authorizing certain interest, costs, charges, fines, fees, and special assessments to be included in the portion of a condominium's or homeowners association's lien that is given priority over a claim of the holder of a certain first mortgage or first deed of trust.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.
SB0226		Senator Norman	Real Property - Wrongful Detainer and Distress Actions - Trial by Jury	Authorizing a party to a certain wrongful detainer or distress action brought in the District Court to demand a trial by jury in accordance with certain provisions of law, subject to certain provisions of law; and making certain provisions of law regarding jury demands applicable to wrongful detainer actions.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.
SB0235		Senator Robinson	Labor and Employment - Minimum Wage - Indexing	Increasing, except under certain circumstances, the State minimum wage rate in effect for certain periods of time based on annual growth in a certain Consumer Price Index; and requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, beginning March 1, 2019, to annually determine and announce the growth in the Consumer Price Index, if any, and the new State minimum wage rate.	Hearing 3/08 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0236		Senator Robinson	State Board of Education - Financial Literacy and Entrepreneurship Curriculum - Development and Implementation	Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a semester-long high school elective course in financial literacy and entrepreneurship; and authorizing each county board of education to implement the curriculum content beginning in the 2018-2019 school year.	Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.

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SB0237		Senator Robinson	Adult Correctional Institutions - Financial Literacy and Entrepreneurship Curriculum - Development and Implementation	Requiring the Correctional Education Council, in collaboration with the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning in the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, to develop and implement, on or before July 1, 2019, a financial literacy and entrepreneurship curriculum to be offered as part of certain transition training to certain inmates in the Division of Correction; and requiring the curriculum content to include certain instruction.	Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0304		Senator Middleton	Maryland Healthy Working Families Act - Enforcement - Delayed Implementation	Prohibiting the Commissioner of Labor and Industry from enforcing compliance with the Maryland Healthy Working Families Act until 60 days after February 11, 2018.	Special Order until 2/7 (Senator Conway) Adopted
SB0358		Senator Ready	Environment - Bay Restoration Fee - Unimproved Property	Prohibiting a local government, a billing authority for a water or wastewater facility, or any other authorized collection agency from imposing the Bay Restoration Fee on unimproved property.	Hearing canceled
SB0368		Senator McFadden	Labor and Employment - State Minimum Wage Rate - Increase	Specifying the State minimum wage rate in effect for certain time periods based on employer size; increasing the State minimum wage rate based on the annual growth in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area, or a certain successor index; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, beginning at a certain time, to annually determine and announce the growth in the Consumer Price Index and the new State minimum wage rate; etc.	Hearing 3/08 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0380		Senator King	Income Tax Credit - Employers - Eligible Internships	Allowing certain employers employing certain interns a credit against the State income tax, which may not exceed \$1,000 for each eligible intern or 10% of the wages paid to each eligible intern, subject to certain limitations; requiring a certain	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.

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				employer to enter into a certain agreement with a certain higher education institution; providing that not more than \$300,000 in tax credit certificates may be issued in any taxable year; requiring a report by the Comptroller on utilization of the tax credit by July 1, 2021; etc.	
SB0482		Senator Astle	Remote Access Information Program for Deaf-Blind Individuals - Establishment	Establishing the Remote Access Information Program for Deaf-Blind Individuals to use remote assistive technology to connect certain deaf-blind individuals with a human assistant to provide real-time information that would not otherwise be available; requiring the Department of Information Technology to consult with the Department of Disabilities to establish and administer the Program and adopt certain regulations; requiring a certain annual payment to the Department of Disabilities; etc.	Reassigned to Finance
SB0517		Senator Rosapepe	Career Apprenticeship Investment Act	Increasing the amount from \$1,00,000 to \$3,000,000 of an appropriation that the Governor is required to provide in the annual budget for the Maryland Higher Education Commission for Workforce Development Sequence Scholarships; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to create a statewide media campaign to promote participation in career and technical education and apprenticeships in workforce shortage occupations; requiring the Governor to provide at least \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 for the grant program; etc.	Hearing 2/20 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0538		Senator Pinsky	Corporate Income Tax - Throwback Rule	Requiring that certain sales of tangible personal property be attributed to the State for apportionment purposes under the corporate income tax if the corporation is not taxable in the	First Reading Budget and Taxation

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				state of the purchaser; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	
SB0543	HB0664	Senator Madaleno	Labor and Employment - Payment of the Minimum Wage Required (Fight for Fifteen)	Specifying the State minimum wage rate that is in effect for certain time periods; increasing, except under certain circumstances, the State minimum wage rate based on the annual growth in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area; specifying the tip credit amount that is in effect for certain time periods; prohibiting an employer, beginning July 1, 2026, from including the tip credit amount as part of the wage of certain employees; etc.	Hearing 3/08 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0561		Senator Manno	Maryland Estate Tax - Unified Credit	Altering a certain limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after June 1, 2018; altering a certain limitation on the amount of the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after June 1, 2018; and making a conforming change.	First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB0566		Senator Serafini	Credit Regulation - Mortgage Brokers - Finder's Fee	Repealing a certain provision of law limiting the amount of a finder's fee that may be charged by a mortgage broker obtaining a mortgage loan with respect to the same property more than once within a 24-month period.	Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0648		Senator Kelley	Real Property - New Home Sales - Information on Energy-Efficient Options	Requiring, for a development with 11 or more homes to be built by the same builder, a home builder to provide a purchaser with written information on energy-efficient options, including a statement that tax credits may be available related to the energy-efficient options, available for installation in a new home; and requiring a contract for the initial sale of a new home to contain a certain acknowledgment that the purchaser was	Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.

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				provided with certain information about energy-efficient options for the home.	
SB0673		Senator Middleton	Insurance - Contracts and Policies - Educational and Promotional Materials and Articles of Merchandise	Increasing to \$100 the maximum cost of educational and promotional materials and articles of merchandise that a person may offer, promise, or give as valuable consideration not specified in a contract of life insurance or health insurance or in an annuity contract; and increasing the maximum cost of educational and promotional materials and articles of merchandise that a person may offer, promise, or give as valuable consideration not specified in an insurance policy that is not life insurance, health insurance, or an annuity.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0697		Senator Guzzone	Income Tax - Community Investment Tax Credit - Verification of Credit Eligibility	Requiring the Comptroller to use the information contained in a certain report to verify that a certain business entity or individual is eligible for a credit against the State income tax for contributions to certain projects; prohibiting the Comptroller from requiring a business entity or an individual to submit additional information with the business entity's or individual's income tax return to claim a certain income tax credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB0699		Senator Guzzone	Alternate Contributory Pension Selection â€“ Former Members â€“ Member Contributions	Requiring that certain active members of the Employees' Pension System or the Teachers' Pension System who are subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit earn a certain rate of interest on certain former member contributions in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection under certain circumstances; etc.	First Reading Budget and Taxation

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SB0712		Senator Serafini	Maryland Healthy Working Families Act - Exemptions	Repealing the inclusion of local governments in the definition of 'employer' for purposes of certain provisions of law governing earned sick and safe leave; exempting from certain provisions of law governing earned sick and safe leave certain employees who are employed by county boards of education or nonprofit entities or who regularly work at facilities at which their employers offer the employees access to an on-site health clinic that has operating costs of at least \$1,000,000 per year; etc.	First Reading Finance
SB0777		Senator Hershey	Aquaculture Leases - Notice - Homeowners Associations	Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to notify certain homeowners associations of certain applications for certain aquaculture leases to be issued in the Chesapeake Bay or in the Atlantic Coastal Bays.	Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0792		Senator Feldman	Commercial Insurance " Insurance Producers " Commissions	Providing that an insurer is not prohibited from paying certain commissions under commercial insurance policies to licensed insurance producers in a certain manner under certain circumstances; applying the Act to all policies of commercial insurance offered, sold, or issued in the State on or after October 1, 2018; etc.	First Reading Finance
SB0820		Senator Madaleno	State Budget	Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution authorizing the General Assembly to increase or add Executive Department items in the budget bill, subject to a certain limitation; providing for the veto by the Governor of only those items relating to the Executive Department that have been increased or added by the General Assembly; providing for the reversion to original appropriations of certain vetoed items in the	First Reading Budget and Taxation

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				budget bill; authorizing the General Assembly to override budget bill item vetoes; etc.	
SB0829		Senator Eckardt	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income (Fairness in Taxation for Retirees Act)	Including income from certain retirement plans within a subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain retired individuals or individuals who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; repealing an obsolete reference to a certain provision relating to a rollover individual retirement account; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.	First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB0830		Senator Eckardt	Income Tax - Standard Deduction - Inflation Adjustment	Increasing the minimum and maximum limitation amounts of the standard deduction allowed under the State income tax for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018, by a certain cost-of-living adjustment.	First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB0831		Senator Middleton	Public Safety - Elevator Inspections - Testing	Requiring that a certain test on an elevator unit performed in connection with a certain inspection be performed by a certain licensed elevator mechanic; requiring a third-party qualified inspector to be physically present during a certain test in its entirety to witness that the test has been performed correctly and to verify the proper recording of the result; clarifying that a State inspector retains certain authority under the Act; etc.	First Reading Finance
SB0846		Senator Conway	State Real Estate Commission â€“ Brokers â€“ Business Succession in the Event of Disability	Authorizing any adult family member of a disabled real estate broker to carry on the business of the disabled broker for 6 months for certain purposes subject to certain qualifications; requiring certain family members to surrender a certain certificate and pocket card and submit certain information to the State Real Estate Commission under certain	Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m.

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				circumstances; authorizing certain individuals to qualify for a certain license under certain circumstances; etc.	
SB0848		Senator Serafini	Income Tax Credit - Wineries and Vineyards - Procedures to Claim Credit and Sunset Extension	Altering the method by which an individual or a corporation may claim a credit against the State income tax for certain expenses related to certain wineries and vineyards in the State; extending for 3 years a certain termination provision for the credit; applying the Act to all credits certified after December 31, 2017; etc.	First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB0852		Senator Klausmeier	Workers' Compensation - Temporary Total Disability - Credit	Providing a credit for an employer or insurer for compensation paid to a covered employee who is temporarily totally disabled due to an accidental personal injury or an occupational disease under certain circumstances and during a certain period; and applying the Act prospectively.	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
SB0853		Senator Klausmeier	Labor and Employment - General Contractor Liability for Unpaid Wages	Providing that general contractors are jointly and severally liable for certain violations of the wage payment and collection law by certain subcontractors under certain circumstances; requiring a subcontractor to indemnify a general contractor for certain wages, damages, interest, penalties, and fees except under certain circumstances; etc.	First Reading Finance
SB0857		Senator Oaks	Baltimore City - Table Games Proceeds - Distribution and Recreational Facilities	Altering the distribution of certain proceeds of table games paid to Baltimore City; requiring that 49.5% of the proceeds be used for school construction projects, 49.5% of the proceeds are to be used for recreational facilities and 1% of the proceeds is to be paid to the Small, Minority, and Women-Owned Businesses Account; and providing that the proceeds of table games paid to Baltimore City to be used for recreational facilities may be	First Reading Budget and Taxation

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				used only to supplement and not to supplant existing expenses or obligations.	
SJ0003		Senator Young	Women on Corporate Boards	Acknowledging certain evidence that demonstrates that companies perform better when their boards and executive leadership include women and that the State of Maryland has a certain stake in protecting certain shareholders and setting certain policies; encouraging certain gender representation on corporate boards; and urging that, within a 3-year period of time, each publicly held corporation in Maryland have a certain minimum number of women on its board.	Hearing 2/08 at 1:00 p.m.