

Senator Mike McKay's
Third Reader Floor Votes
Week of February 13th, 2023

Monday, February 13th, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Tuesday, February 14th, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Wednesday, February 15th, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Thursday, February 16th, 2023

Maryland Electricians Act – Revisions

Altering the entity that must administer or approve an apprenticeship program for electricians; substituting the term "uninsured" for the term "inactive" in certain provisions of law relating to liability insurance requirements for certain electricians; prohibiting a certain electrician from contracting to provide electrical services unless the electrical work is covered by certain liability insurance; specifying who is authorized and required to purchase certain insurance; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0052 - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Programs – Waiver – Diapers and Menstrual Hygiene Products

Requiring the Department of Human Services to apply for a waiver to allow benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to be used to purchase diapers or menstrual hygiene products, if the U.S. Department of Agriculture makes the waiver available; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to apply for a waiver to allow benefits under the Special Supplemental Program for Women, Infants, and Children to be used to purchase certain products, if the U.S. Department of Agriculture makes the waiver available.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0053 - Maryland Nonprofit Development Center Program - Nonprofit, Interest-Free, Micro Bridge Loan (NIMBL) Account – Funding

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2024 or fiscal year 2025 an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Maryland Nonprofit Development Center Program Fund to be used for loans under the Nonprofit, Interest-Free, Micro Bridge Loan (NIMBL) Account; and repealing a requirement that 5% of proceeds from video lottery terminals go to the NIMBL Account.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0072 - Task Force on Financial Incentives for Pet-Friendly Housing

Establishing the Task Force on Financial Incentives for Pet-Friendly Housing to study matters related to pet-friendly housing, including financial incentives, insurance or liability structures, and barriers on varied sizes and breeds; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations on how to financially incentivize the expansion of pet-friendly housing to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before November 1, 2024.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0094 - Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Public Safety Volunteers

Increasing, from \$7,000 to \$10,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for an individual who is a qualifying public safety volunteer for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2023.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0142 - University System of Maryland - Board of Regents - Student Member Grant

Authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to authorize a certain grant for the student member serving in the first year of the student's term on the Board of Regents.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0148 -Victim Services Programs - Supplementing Federal Funding and Support (Victim Services Stabilization Act)

Providing for the stable funding and support of trauma-informed, high-quality program and services for victims of crime; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to help support certain programs providing services for victims of crime; requiring the Office to consult with certain individuals and organizations regarding the allocation of certain funding; and requiring the Governor to include certain funding in the State budget.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0153 - State Investment Portfolio - Investment Thresholds – Alterations

Repealing the limitations on investment in certain commercial paper in which the Treasurer may invest or reinvest certain unexpended or surplus funds; requiring the Treasurer to adopt regulations to establish a state investment policy with certain thresholds; and requiring the Treasurer to notify certain officials and governing bodies of certain local governmental units about the provisions of the Act.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0168 - Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council – Establishment

Establishing the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council as an independent unit of State government with the authority to conduct and support advocacy, systems change, and capacity-building efforts to promote inclusive communities and equity in services for individuals with disabilities in the State, research best practices and provide related training and technical assistance to communities in the State and inform State and local leaders about disability issues.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0200 - Health Occupations - State Board of Chiropractic Examiners - Disciplinary Actions and Procedures

Authorizing the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners to deny a license to an applicant or to take certain action against a licensee for failure to follow an order of the Board; authorizing the Board to

grant a stay of enforcement of a Board order in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act; prohibiting a Board order from being stayed pending judicial review; authorizing the Board to appeal a certain decision; and authorizing the Board to reinstate a suspended or revoked license only under certain circumstances.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0202 - Prescription Drug Affordability Board - Upper Payment Limits

Reestablishing the requirement that the Prescription Drug Affordability Board, under certain circumstances, draft a plan of action for implementing a process to set upper payment limits for certain prescription drug products; reestablishing the authority of the Board to set upper payments limits, under certain circumstances, for prescription drug products that are purchased or paid for by or through certain State or local government entities, plans, or programs; etc.

Passed 34-11. McKay voted Yea.

SB0217 - Transit - Commuter Bus Service – Procurement

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration, in selecting a commuter bus service provider, to use the competitive sealed proposal method of procurement and to conduct the procurement in accordance with the provisions of Division II of the State Finance and Procurement Article and regulations adopted under Division II.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0231 - Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Autism Waiver - Military Families

Requiring, unless the child's family has requested that the child be removed, that a child on the registry for the Autism Waiver remain on the registry if the child's family relocates out of the State for military service.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0234 - Health Services Cost Review Commission - Hospital Rates - All-Payer Model Contract

Requiring that the Health Services Cost Review Commission exercise its authority to consider certain standards when determining the reasonableness of certain rates in a manner that is consistent with the all-payer model.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0241 - Commercial Law – Abandoned Property – Alterations

Requiring the Comptroller, as Administrator of abandoned property in the State, to determine the value of certain nonmonetary abandoned property; and authorizing the Administrator, if it is determined the property has no commercial value and need not be offered for sale, the Administrator may return the property to the holder, destroy the property or dispose of the property.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0242 - Income Tax - Work Opportunity Tax Credit - Technical Correction

Correcting a certain incorrect cross-reference to the federal Internal Revenue Code relating to the federal work opportunity credit.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0243 - Income Tax - Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit – Alterations

Altering eligibility for the State child and dependent care tax credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

Friday, February 17th, 2023

SB0011 - Motor Vehicles - Establishment of School Zones

Requiring a school zone to be adjacent to a school, unless recommended by a traffic engineering study; prohibiting a school zone from exceeding a 0.5-mile radius of any school or school activity, unless recommended by a traffic engineering study.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0042 - Child Custody - Relocation of Child - Expedited Hearing (Assurance of Child's Safety Act)

Requiring a court to schedule a hearing, on an expedited basis, on a petition filed by a parent regarding a proposed relocation of a child who is the subject of a custody or visitation order that would significantly interfere with the other parent's ability to maintain the predetermined parenting time.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0058 -Corporations and Associations – Revisions

Altering certain provisions governing the issuance of stock, convertible securities, and scrip; clarifying the authority of corporations to hold annual meetings by remote communication; clarifying the application of certain provisions of law to the conversion of a corporation; requiring a real estate investment trust that voluntarily dissolves to file a notice of termination with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; etc.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0069 - Public Safety - Law Enforcement Agencies - Positive Community Feedback

Adding positive community feedback to the list of records that are not considered personnel records for certain purposes; requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to develop a process for citizens to submit certain feedback; requiring each law enforcement agency to adopt the uniform citizen positive community feedback process; and requiring a law enforcement agency to maintain a certain record that is subject to public inspection.

Passed 41-2. McKay voted Yea.

SB0074 - Grossly Negligent or Drunk or Drugged Operation of Vehicle or Vessel – Prior Convictions

Establishing that certain previous convictions for drunk or drugged operation of a vehicle or vessel and grossly negligent manslaughter by vehicle or vessel under certain provisions of law constitute prior convictions for the purpose of determining certain enhanced subsequent offender penalties.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0099 - Circuit Courts and District Court - Dishonored Checks - Service Charges

Increasing the amount of the service charge from \$10 to \$30 that may be imposed by a circuit court or the District Court for a dishonored check

Passed 37-6. McKay voted Yea.

SB0115 - Juvenile Court – Concurrent Jurisdiction – Juvenile Offenses on Military Installations
Establishing that the jurisdiction of the juvenile court is concurrent with that of a federal court sitting in the State over certain proceedings involving violations of federal law by a child under certain circumstances.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0251 - State Government - Commission on LGBTQIA+ Affairs – Alterations

Renaming the Commission on LGBTQ Affairs to be the Commission on LGBTQIA+ Affairs; increasing the number of members of the Commission from 15 to 21; altering certain qualifications for members appointed to the Commission; staggering the terms of Commission members; and altering the duties of the Commission.

Passed 32-11. McKay voted Nay.



Senator Mike McKay's

Third Reader Floor Votes

Week of February 20th, 2023

Monday, February 20th, 2023

SB0313 - Town of Mount Airy (Carroll County and Frederick County) - Urban Renewal Authority
Granting the Town of Mount Airy in Carroll County and Frederick County the authority to exercise urban renewal powers within an urban renewal area under Article III, Section 61 of the Maryland Constitution; and authorizing the municipality to levy certain taxes and issue general obligation bonds and revenue bonds to carry out urban renewal powers.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

Tuesday, February 21st, 2023

SB0054 - Criminal Law – Unnatural or Perverted Sexual Practice – Repeal

Repealing the crime of unnatural or perverted sexual practice.

Passed 34-11. McKay voted Yea.

SB0068 - Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System - Crisfield Police Department

Requiring membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for certain local law enforcement officers of the Crisfield Police Department under certain circumstances; providing that a certain individual is entitled to eligibility service and creditable service that was earned before the effective date of the Crisfield Police Department's participation in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; providing for the transfer of creditable service for a certain individual; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0114 - Property Tax - Real Property Tax Rate Increases - Notice Requirements

Altering certain notice requirements relating to the intention of a county or municipal corporation to set a certain real property tax rate that exceeds the constant yield tax rate and requiring instead certain notice when a county or municipal corporation intends to increase its real property tax rate.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0189 - Maryland Saves Data Sharing Act

Authorizing, subject to certain limitations, the disclosure of certain tax information to the Maryland Small Business Retirement Savings Board and its authorized contractors for the purpose of administering the Maryland Small Business Retirement Savings Program and Trust.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0235 - School Buildings - Solar and Geothermal Technology

Requiring a county board of education, during the design development phase of the construction or major renovation of a school building, to evaluate the use of solar panels on the roof of the school

and geothermal heating and cooling systems; and prohibiting the Interagency Commission on School Construction from delaying the approval of the construction or major renovation of a school building if a county board's evaluation and report have not been submitted in a timely manner.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0282 - Maryland Forestry Education Fund – Establishment

Establishing the Maryland Forestry Education Fund to expand and enhance the Maryland Forestry Foundation's capacity to provide certain education and resources to forest landowners, the ability of district forestry boards and the knowledge of local governments to achieve healthy and sustainable forests, and the ability of businesses to test innovative best management practices in forestry; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill \$250,000 for the Fund in fiscal years 2025 and 2026.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0305 - Carroll County - Public Facilities Bond

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County to borrow not more than \$65,600,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Carroll County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0312 - Tax Clinics for Low-Income Marylanders - Funding - Repeal of Sunset

Repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law requiring the Comptroller to distribute a certain amount of certain abandoned property funds to the Tax Clinics for Low-Income Marylanders Fund which provides grants to the University of Maryland School of Law, the University of Baltimore School of Law, and the Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service to operate tax clinics for low-income Maryland residents.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0328 - Board of Public Works Public Comment Act

Requiring the Board of Public Works, for meetings held on or after October 1, 2024, to allow members of the public to submit certain public comments electronically except under certain circumstances; requiring public comments to be included in certain meeting materials and posted and retained online; and requiring an additional staff person at the Board to carry out requirements of the Act.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

Wednesday, February 22nd, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Thursday, February 23rd, 2023

Maryland Electricians Act – Revisions

Altering the entity that must administer or approve an apprenticeship program for electricians; substituting the term "uninsured" for the term "inactive" in certain provisions of law relating to

liability insurance requirements for certain electricians; prohibiting a certain electrician from contracting to provide electrical services unless the electrical work is covered by certain liability insurance; specifying who is authorized and required to purchase certain insurance; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0052 - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Programs – Waiver – Diapers and Menstrual Hygiene Products

Requiring the Department of Human Services to apply for a waiver to allow benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to be used to purchase diapers or menstrual hygiene products, if the U.S. Department of Agriculture makes the waiver available; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to apply for a waiver to allow benefits under the Special Supplemental Program for Women, Infants, and Children to be used to purchase certain products, if the U.S. Department of Agriculture makes the waiver available.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0053 - Maryland Nonprofit Development Center Program - Nonprofit, Interest-Free, Micro Bridge Loan (NIMBL) Account – Funding

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2024 or fiscal year 2025 an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Maryland Nonprofit Development Center Program Fund to be used for loans under the Nonprofit, Interest-Free, Micro Bridge Loan (NIMBL) Account; and repealing a requirement that 5% of proceeds from video lottery terminals go to the NIMBL Account.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0072 - Task Force on Financial Incentives for Pet-Friendly Housing

Establishing the Task Force on Financial Incentives for Pet-Friendly Housing to study matters related to pet-friendly housing, including financial incentives, insurance or liability structures, and barriers on varied sizes and breeds; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations on how to financially incentivize the expansion of pet-friendly housing to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before November 1, 2024.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea

SB0094 - Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Public Safety Volunteers

Increasing, from \$7,000 to \$10,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for an individual who is a qualifying public safety volunteer for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2023.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0142 - University System of Maryland - Board of Regents - Student Member Grant

Authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to authorize a certain grant for the student member serving in the first year of the student's term on the Board of Regents.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0148 -Victim Services Programs - Supplementing Federal Funding and Support (Victim Services Stabilization Act)

Providing for the stable funding and support of trauma-informed, high-quality program and services for victims of crime; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim

Services to help support certain programs providing services for victims of crime; requiring the Office to consult with certain individuals and organizations regarding the allocation of certain funding; and requiring the Governor to include certain funding in the State budget.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0153 - State Investment Portfolio - Investment Thresholds – Alterations

Repealing the limitations on investment in certain commercial paper in which the Treasurer may invest or reinvest certain unexpended or surplus funds; requiring the Treasurer to adopt regulations to establish a state investment policy with certain thresholds; and requiring the Treasurer to notify certain officials and governing bodies of certain local governmental units about the provisions of the Act.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0168 - Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council – Establishment

Establishing the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council as an independent unit of State government with the authority to conduct and support advocacy, systems change, and capacity-building efforts to promote inclusive communities and equity in services for individuals with disabilities in the State, research best practices and provide related training and technical assistance to communities in the State and inform State and local leaders about disability issues.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0200 - Health Occupations - State Board of Chiropractic Examiners - Disciplinary Actions and Procedures

Authorizing the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners to deny a license to an applicant or to take certain action against a licensee for failure to follow an order of the Board; authorizing the Board to grant a stay of enforcement of a Board order in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act; prohibiting a Board order from being stayed pending judicial review; authorizing the Board to appeal a certain decision; and authorizing the Board to reinstate a suspended or revoked license only under certain circumstances.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0202 - Prescription Drug Affordability Board - Upper Payment Limits

Reestablishing the requirement that the Prescription Drug Affordability Board, under certain circumstances, draft a plan of action for implementing a process to set upper payment limits for certain prescription drug products; reestablishing the authority of the Board to set upper payments limits, under certain circumstances, for prescription drug products that are purchased or paid for by or through certain State or local government entities, plans, or programs; etc.

Passed 34-11. McKay voted Yea.

SB0217 - Transit - Commuter Bus Service – Procurement

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration, in selecting a commuter bus service provider, to use the competitive sealed proposal method of procurement and to conduct the procurement in accordance with the provisions of Division II of the State Finance and Procurement Article and regulations adopted under Division II.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0231 - Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Autism Waiver - Military Families

Requiring, unless the child's family has requested that the child be removed, that a child on the registry for the Autism Waiver remain on the registry if the child's family relocates out of the State for military service.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0234 - Health Services Cost Review Commission - Hospital Rates - All-Payer Model Contract

Requiring that the Health Services Cost Review Commission exercise its authority to consider certain standards when determining the reasonableness of certain rates in a manner that is consistent with the all-payer model.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0241 - Commercial Law – Abandoned Property – Alterations

Requiring the Comptroller, as Administrator of abandoned property in the State, to determine the value of certain nonmonetary abandoned property; and authorizing the Administrator, if it is determined the property has no commercial value and need not be offered for sale, the Administrator may return the property to the holder, destroy the property or dispose of the property.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0242 - Income Tax - Work Opportunity Tax Credit - Technical Correction

Correcting a certain incorrect cross-reference to the federal Internal Revenue Code relating to the federal work opportunity credit.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0243 - Income Tax - Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit – Alterations

Altering eligibility for the State child and dependent care tax credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

Friday, February 24th, 2023

SB0041 - Baltimore City - Property Tax - Retroactive Exemption

Authorizing a person who applies for certain property tax exemptions for real property in Baltimore City to request that an exemption be applied retroactively for up to 3 taxable years, subject to certain requirements; requiring Baltimore City and the State to pay a refund of excess real property taxes paid due to a retroactive exemption that is granted; and requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to submit a report on the number of requests made and the amounts refunded by December 1, 2023, and each December 1 thereafter.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0139 - State Police Retirement System and Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System - Deferred Retirement Option Program - Alterations

Increasing the maximum number of years of eligibility service that certain members of the State Police Retirement System or Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System may have to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) from 30 to 32; increasing the number of years that certain members of the State Police Retirement System or Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System may participate in the DROP from 5 to 7; and authorizing certain individuals to elect to extend their participation in the DROP.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0167 - Maryland State Arts Council – Funding

Clarifying the calculation for certain funding for the Maryland State Arts Council for fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter; repealing a certain requirement for certain funds distributed to the Maryland State Arts Council to be included in the Council's prior fiscal year appropriation; etc.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0244 - Correctional Officers' Retirement System – Special Death Benefits – Applicability

Authorizing an application for special death benefits to be made for the death of members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System who were correctional officers who died by homicide after June 1, 2001, were members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System, and whose death was determined to have arisen out of or in the course of the actual performance of the officers' duties.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted yea.

SB0276 - Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System - Frostburg City Police Department

Requiring membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for local law enforcement officers of the Frostburg City Police Department under certain circumstances; providing that an individual is entitled to eligibility service and creditable service that was earned before the effective date of the Frostburg City Police Department's participation in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; etc.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0283 - Mental Health - Workforce Development - Fund Established

Establishing the Behavioral Health Workforce Investment Fund to provide reimbursement for costs associated with educating, training, certifying, recruiting, placing, and retaining behavioral health professionals and paraprofessionals; providing that money expended from the Fund is supplemental to and not intended to supplant funding that would otherwise be appropriated; requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to conduct a comprehensive behavioral health workforce needs assessment on or before December 1, 2023; etc.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0289 - Higher Education - Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship - Altering Name of Scholarship

Altering the name of the Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship to be the Douglas J. J. Peters Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0333 - Economic Development – Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise Zone Program – Alterations and Financing

Altering the period of time, from 5 to 10 years, that an area may be designated as a Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise (RISE) zone; repealing the prohibition on the Secretary of Commerce from approving more than a certain number of RISE zones in a certain area; extending the termination date of the RISE Program; and requiring the Department and certain other entities to study the effectiveness of the RISE Zone Program and report to the General Assembly by December 15, 2024, on the Department's recommendations for improving the Program.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0348 - Education - State Library Resource Center – Funding

Altering the calculation of certain funding for the State Library Resource Center for certain fiscal years.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0359 - Community College Tuition and Residency Waivers – Funding

Authorizing the Governor to include in the annual State budget for the Maryland Higher Education Commission an appropriation of \$10,000,000 to fund State-mandated community college tuition and residency waivers; and requiring the Commission to report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2024, and each December 1 thereafter on the number of students receiving a tuition or residency waiver for certain categories and the amount of funds provided to each community college.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0384 -Garrett County – Tax Sales – Auctioneer Fees

Increasing, from \$8 to \$10, the auctioneer's fee for the tax sale of property in Garrett County for each property sold.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.



Senator Mike McKay's
Third Reader Floor Votes
Week of February 26th, 2023

Monday, February 27th, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Tuesday, February 28th, 2023

SB0131 - Mandated Reports – Revisions

Modifying certain reporting requirements for practicability and efficiency; and repealing certain reporting requirements that are unnecessary, obsolete, duplicative, or inefficient.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0150 - Maryland Tort Claims Act - Denial of Claims – Notice

Altering the means by which the State Treasurer may send notice of a denial of a claim made under the Maryland Tort Claims Act to authorize notice by e-mail or, if it is the only available means, by regular mail.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0173 - Automatic Expungement – Clarification

Clarifying the language of a provision of law requiring the expungement of certain records maintained by the State or a political subdivision of the State relating to the charging of certain offenses under certain circumstances.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0191 - Prince George's County - Office of the Sheriff - Duties and Deputy Sheriffs

Increasing from four to five the number of full-time assistant sheriffs provided to the Sheriff of Prince George's County; providing that the Fraternal Order of Police will negotiate on behalf of deputy sheriffs in benefit matters not related to salary; and clarifying that the Office of the Sheriff of Prince George's County may investigate domestic violence calls and are not required to transfer those investigations to another law enforcement agency.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0193 - Ground Leases - Collection of Rent, Interest, Fees, and Other Expenses - Registration Requirements

Establishing that ground leases or amendments that are not posted on the State Department of Assessments and Taxation's website are not considered registered or amended; prohibiting a ground lease holder from collecting or attempting to collect rent, late fees, interest, collection costs, and other expenses related to a ground lease unless the ground lease is registered with the Department; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0194 - Ground Leases – Notices and Billing – Forms and Requirements

Prohibiting a leasehold tenant of an unregistered ground lease from being required to hold more than 3 years of ground rent in escrow; requiring a ground lease holder to mail certain notices or bills to a leasehold tenant in a certain manner under certain circumstances; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to make certain forms available on its website; and requiring a ground lease transferee to send notice of a transfer to the Department within 30 days.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0195 - Orphans' Court Judges – Election

Requiring that candidates for judge of the orphans' court appear on the ballot without party designation.

Passed 38-8. McKay voted Yea.

SB0196 - Residential Ground Leases - Redemption and Extinguishment – Requirements

Repealing the prohibition against a tenant who is seeking to redeem or extinguish ground rent providing certain documentation and payments to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation earlier than 90 days after an application for redemption or extinguishment has been posted on the Department's website.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0325 - Washington County - Sheriff's Salary – Alteration

Altering the salary of the Washington County Sheriff to be 90% of the salary of the State's Attorney of Washington County; and repealing the requirement for the Washington County Salary Study Commission to study and issue a report that contains recommendations relating to the salary of the Sheriff of Washington County.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0342 - Baltimore County - Circuit Court Judgeships

Increasing the number of resident judges of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County from 20 to 21.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

Wednesday, March 1st, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Thursday, March 2nd, 2023

SB0015 - Juvenile Law - Child in Need of Supervision - Mandatory Petition and Notice (NyKayla Strawder Memorial Act)

Requiring an intake officer to file a petition alleging that a child under the age of 13 years is either delinquent or a child in need of supervision if the child is alleged to have committed an act that results in the death of a victim; and requiring a law enforcement officer to forward a complaint alleging that a child under the age of 13 years committed an act that resulted in the death of a victim to the Department of Juvenile Services.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0026 - Maryland Medical Assistance Program, Maryland Children's Health Program, and Workgroup on Low-Income Utility Assistance

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish an Express Lane Eligibility Program by January 1, 2025, to enroll individuals, based on certain eligibility, in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and the Maryland Children's Health Program; and requiring the Workgroup on Low-Income Utility Assistance to submit a final report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2024, of its findings and recommendations, including recommended legislative and regulatory changes.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0106 - Courts - Judgments - Exemptions From Execution

Exempting up to \$500 in a deposit account or other account of a judgment debtor held by a depository institution from execution on the judgment without an election by the debtor to exempt the money; establishing procedures a depository institution is required to follow on receipt of a writ of garnishment or other levy or attachment under certain circumstances; establishing a \$6,000 limit on the cumulative value of property and cash that may be exempted; requiring a certain writ of garnishment; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0157 - Municipalities - Charter Amendments – Notice

Modifying the manner in which the chief executive officer of a municipality may fulfill certain notice requirements concerning proposed municipal charter amendments; requiring the chief executive officer of a municipality to post an exact copy of the proposed amendment in a certain public place for at least 40 days immediately preceding the referendum on the question; and requiring the municipality to maintain certain records or receipts and make the records or receipts available to the public.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0209 - Task Force to Study Crime Classification

Establishing the Task Force to Study Crime Classification and Penalties to review the penalties for all criminal and civil violations in the Maryland Code, study the history and legislative intent of the classifications, study criminal classifications and penalty schemes in other states, and make recommendations regarding the current statutory scheme for criminal and civil violation in the State; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2024.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0210 - Orphans' Court Judges - Restriction on Practicing Law

Altering a prohibition on judges of the orphans' court acting as attorneys to prohibit a judge of the orphans' court from acting as an attorney in matters related to the administration of an estate or a guardianship of a minor.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0224 - Department of the Environment - Zero-Emission Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles - Regulations (Clean Trucks Act of 2023)

Requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt regulations on or before December 1, 2023, establishing requirements for the sale of new zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles in the State; requiring the Department, in consultation with certain units of State government, to prepare and submit to the General Assembly a certain needs assessment and deployment plan on or before December 1, 2024; authorizing the Department to delay implementation of certain regulations under certain circumstances; etc.

Passed 33-11. McKay voted Nay.

SB0232 - Health Occupations - Licensed Athletic Trainers - Dry Needling Approval

Authorizing the State Board of Physicians to approve licensed athletic trainers to perform dry needling, a certain type of intramuscular manual therapy involving the insertion of one or more solid needles or a mechanical device into the muscle and related tissues to effect change in the muscle and related tissues, as a specialized task; requiring 80 hours of instruction in a certain continuing education course, including 40 hours of practical, hands-on instruction under the guidance of a certain licensed health care practitioner; etc.

Passed 44-1. McKay voted Yea.

SB0248 - Institutions of Higher Education - Transcripts - Prohibition on Punitive Measures Related to Student Debt

Prohibiting an institution of higher education from refusing to provide a current or former student with a transcript or taking other punitive measures regarding a student's transcript request because the student owes a debt to the institution of higher education.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0253 - Estates and Trusts - Registers of Wills - Electronic Filing and Signatures

Requiring a register of wills to accept certain documents filed electronically through a system established by the register of wills; and prohibiting a register of wills from refusing to accept a document based on the manner in which it was signed.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0258 - Hospital Credentialing - Reappointment Process for Physician Staff - Modification

Requiring that the credential reappointment process for physician staff included in certain minimum standards for hospitals licensed in the State be conducted in accordance with standards of the accreditation body that accredits a hospital, rather than every 2 years.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0275 - Hunting - Snares, Traps, and Other Similar Devices - Identification Requirement

Requiring a person who is not required to be licensed or permitted under certain provisions of law to obtain a free Department of Natural Resources identification number before using a snare, a trap, or another similar device to capture wildlife; and requiring a person who uses a snare, a trap, or another similar device to capture wildlife to ensure the person's Department identification number is stamped on the device or on a metal tag affixed to the device.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0277 - Real Property - Sheriff's Sales - Procedures and Subordinate Interests

Establishing that a sheriff's sale of real property extinguishes subordinate liens on the land being sold; and providing that certain provisions of the Act do not impair a lien on land affected by a judgment in favor of a local government for real property maintenance violations or nuisance condition violations that is indexed and recorded in accordance with the Maryland Rules.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0287 - State Board of Elections - Municipal Elections - Publication of Results on Website

Requiring the State Board of Elections to publish municipal election results on its website immediately after a municipality submits its election results; and requiring, within 30 days after the results of a municipal election are certified, the municipality to submit to the State Board an electronic copy of the election results for each office or question voted on at the election.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0320 - Natural Resources - Wildlife Advisory Commission - Membership

Increasing the membership of the Wildlife Advisory Commission; requiring the Governor to appoint a member to the Wildlife Advisory Commission who is an academic researcher with expertise in wildlife biology, wildlife conservation, wildlife management, or ecology; and requiring the membership of the Commission to include representation from the hunting, wildlife preservation, and passive wildlife recreation communities.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0332 - Maryland African American Museum Corporation - Board of Directors – Membership

Altering the membership of the Board of Directors of the Maryland African American Museum Corporation.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0339 - Election Law – Recounts – Procedures

Requiring a petitioner for a recount to select the method for conducting the recount; limiting the methods from which the selection must be made to rescanning the ballots using certain vote tabulating equipment, a manual recount of voter-verifiable paper records, or any other recount method approved by the State Administrator; and requiring a local board of elections to preserve and store certain voter-verifiable paper records in a certain manner and count duplicate ballots in a manual recount after review of the paper record.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0343 - Maryland Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Program - Account Establishment – Procedures

Establishing certain procedures regarding the persons who may establish or receive distributions from an ABLE account in the Maryland ABLE Program for a certain eligible individual; and requiring the Maryland 529 Board to adopt certain procedures regarding the establishment and operation of an ABLE account by a person other than a certain designated beneficiary.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0386 - Certified Local Farm and Fish Program – Establishment

Altering the Certified Local Farm Enterprise Program to be the Certified Local Farm and Fish Program; expanding the purpose of the Program to include food from certified Chesapeake invasive

species providers in the overall percentage goal for certain procurement contracts; altering the Certified Local Farm Enterprise Food Aggregation Grant Fund to be the Certified Local Farm and Fish Food Aggregation Grant Fund; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0396 - Economic Development - Upper Shore Regional Council - Membership

Altering the membership of certain voting members of the Upper Shore Regional Council.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0407 - Drinking Water - Indirect Potable Reuse Pilot Program – Establishment

Establishing the Indirect Potable Reuse Pilot Program in the Department of the Environment for the purpose of authorizing the regulated use of reclaimed water as a source for drinking water treatment facilities; providing for the issuance of potable reuse permits under the Pilot Program; applying certain public participation requirements to potable reuse permits; requiring the Department to submit a report on the status of the Pilot Program to the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 31, 2024; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0443 - Real Estate Brokers, Salespersons, and Associate Brokers - Continuing Education Courses – Alterations

Altering the requirements for the subject matter of continuing education courses for licensees issued an initial license by the Real Estate Commission.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0863 - State Administrator of Elections - Removal From Office

Altering requirements for the removal from office of the State Administrator of Elections; and repealing the authority of the State Administrator to continue to serve in office until a successor is appointed and confirmed following a certain vote for removal of the State Administrator.

Passed 43-2. McKay voted Yea.

Friday, March 3rd, 2023

SB0079 - State Personnel – Education and Transportation – Grievance Procedures

Authorizing a certain employee or certain exclusive representative to initiate a grievance procedure under certain provisions of law; requiring certain decision makers in a grievance procedure in certain higher education systems to award certain damages under certain circumstances; requiring regulations adopted by the Secretary of Transportation to be consistent with certain provisions of law and include redress for certain violations; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0170 - Energy Generation Projects – Required Labor Standards

Requiring the developer of a covered project, on the approval of a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of a certain generating station or qualified generator lead line or an exemption from a certain requirement for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, to meet certain labor standards and reporting requirements; establishing certain labor standards and

certain certification, reporting, and record-keeping requirements related to the construction of a covered project; etc.

Passed 33-13. McKay voted Nay.

SB0256 - Environment - Fire-Fighting Training - Oriented Strand Board – Prohibition

Prohibiting the setting on fire or burning of oriented strand board for certain fire-fighting training; and establishing an administrative penalty not exceeding \$500 for a first violation of the Act and a civil penalty not exceeding \$1,000 for a second or subsequent violation of the Act.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0534 - Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2023

Extending to June 30, 2025, the inclusion of certain audio-only telephone conversations under the definition of "telehealth" for the purpose of certain provisions of law relating to reimbursement and coverage of telehealth by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations; requiring the Maryland Medical Health Care Commission to study and make recommendations regarding the delivery of health care services through telehealth by December 1, 2024; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.



Senator Mike McKay's
Third Reader Floor Votes
Week of March 6th, 2023

Monday, March 6th, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Tuesday, March 7th, 2023

SB0120 - Public Schools - Anaphylactic Food Allergies – Guidelines

Requiring each county board of education, before the start of the 2024-2025 school year, to adopt, implement, and publish guidelines in accordance with the State school health service guidelines to reduce the risk of exposure to anaphylactic major food allergens in classrooms and common areas; requiring each public school to develop a system to disclose the major food allergens contained in the foods served in the school; requiring each county board to make a good faith effort to adopt and implement certain guidelines; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0249 - Motor Vehicle Administration - Driver Education Program - Cannabis or Alcohol

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to include in the curriculum for a standardized driver education program information on the laws relating to and the risks of driving while under the influence of cannabis or alcohol.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0266 - Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports - Membership – Alteration

Altering the membership of the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports to include a school counselor certified by the State Department of Education, designated by the Maryland School Counselor Association.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0293 - Corrections - Incarcerated Individuals

Altering the term "inmate" to be "incarcerated individual" meaning an individual who is actually or constructively detained or confined in a correctional facility.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0330 - Public Safety - Law Enforcement - Body-Worn Cameras (Body-Worn Camera Appropriation and Financing Act of 2023)

Requiring the Department of General Services, in coordination with the Department of Information Technology, to negotiate contracts to acquire and maintain body-worn cameras, equipment, and technology at the request of a law enforcement agency; requiring the Department of Information Technology to coordinate with the Department of General Services to study the cost and feasibility of implementing a statewide uniform storage and access system for law enforcement body-worn camera data; and requiring a report on the study by December 1, 2023.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0435 - Property Tax Credit - Disabled Law Enforcement Officers and Rescue Workers - Definition and Eligibility

Requiring a county or municipal corporation to define, by law, who is a law enforcement officer or rescue worker; and altering eligibility for the tax credit to include certain disabled law enforcement officers or rescue workers who were domiciled in the State within a certain number of years before the officer or worker died or was determined to be disabled; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2023.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0457 - St. Mary's County - Public Facilities Bond

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to borrow not more than \$41,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in St. Mary's County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0458 - St. Mary's County - Bond Authority - YMCA Facility

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to borrow not more than \$15,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of a YMCA facility in St. Mary's County contingent upon certain conditions, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0467 - Workgroup to Study the Fiscal and Operational Viability of Public-Private Partnerships for Calvert County Public Schools

Establishing a Workgroup to Study the Fiscal and Operational Viability of Public-Private Partnerships for Calvert County Public Schools; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Calvert County Commissioners, the Calvert County Board of Education, the Interagency Commission on School Board Construction, the Calvert County Delegation, and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2023.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0718 - Voluntary Cleanup Program - Determination and Recordation Deadlines

Altering determination and recordation deadlines for the Voluntary Cleanup Program.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0813 - Libraries - Regional Resource Centers - Governance Requirements

Altering the requirements for governance of libraries designated as regional resource centers; and establishing a governing board for each regional resource center.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

Wednesday, March 8th, 2023

No final floor votes taken.

Thursday, March 9th, 2023

SB0018 - Police Recruitment and Retention Workgroup

Establishing the Police Recruitment and Retention Workgroup to study issues and factors potentially contributing to recruitment challenges and the decline in police officer retention statewide; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 30, 2024.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0029 - Baltimore City Soil Conservation District - Establishment – Requirements

Providing for the establishment of a Baltimore City Soil Conservation District with boundaries that correspond to the boundaries of Baltimore City; adding Baltimore City to a geographic area from which the Secretary of Agriculture appoints the soil conservation district supervisors; requiring the Mayor of Baltimore City to take certain actions to form the District; requiring the Secretary of State to take certain actions to record the organization of the District; and providing for the appointment of the supervisors for the District.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0037 - Criminal Procedure - Expungement of Records - Waiting Periods (REDEEM Act of 2023)

Altering the waiting periods applicable to the filing of petitions for expungement of convictions of certain crimes.

Passed 38-9. McKay voted Yea.

SB0204 - State Retirement and Pension System - Vesting and Retirement Allowance - Clerk of the Court and Register of Wills

Establishing for a clerk of a circuit court and a register of wills vesting rights and a retirement allowance in the Employees' Pension System after accruing at least 8 years of eligibility service; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0269 - Currency - Campaign Finance Prohibitions - Disclosures by Financial Institutions

Prohibiting certain persons subject to campaign finance regulation from making or accepting monetary contributions or monetary donations using any currency other than United States currency; prohibiting a campaign finance entity or a person acting on behalf of a campaign finance entity from making a monetary expenditure using any currency other than United States currency; authorizing the State Administrator of Elections or the Administrator's designee to investigate potential violations of the Act; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0273 - National Capital Strategic Economic Development Fund - Annual Appropriation and Authorized Uses

Altering the amount of a certain appropriation the Governor is required to make for the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Fund; and repealing a provision of law requiring 100% of the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Fund to be used for community enhancement projects in sustainable communities located, at least in part, within the boundary created by Interstate 495 in the State and the District of Columbia beginning in fiscal year 2024.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0280 - Child Care Providers - Registration and Licensing - Exemptions

Exempting certain family child care homes, large family child care homes, and child care centers that serve only dependent children of military personnel and are located on a military base or federal

property or certified by a branch of the U.S. Department of Defense or the U.S. Coast Guard from certain registration and licensing requirements for child care providers in the State; authorizing certain entities to assume responsibility for approving or determining which children may be served by exempted child care providers; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0290 - Office of the Attorney General - Independent Investigations Division - Authority to Prosecute

Expanding the investigative jurisdiction of the Independent Investigations Division of the Office of the Attorney General to include a police-involved incident resulting in serious bodily injury to an individual that is not otherwise within the jurisdiction of the Division; requiring the Division to submit an annual report on its activities in the prior calendar year to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before January 31; authorizing the Attorney General to prosecute certain criminal matters under certain circumstances; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Nay.

SB0363 - Video Lottery Terminal Proceeds - Purse Dedication Account - Ocean Downs Race Course Operating Loss Assistance

Altering the authority of the Ocean Downs Race Course to use certain Purse Dedication Account funds generated from video lottery terminal proceeds for operating loss assistance to support a certain minimum number of live racing days at the racecourse.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea

SB0382 - Accessory Dwelling Unit Policy Task Force

Establishing the Accessory Dwelling Unit Policy Task Force to study the placement of accessory dwelling units on land zoned for single-family residential use and to survey and document a representative sampling of the variety of ordinances, laws, codes, and policies regarding accessory dwelling units at the State and local level; and requiring the Task Force to report to the Governor and General Assembly its activities on or before November 1, 2023, and its findings and recommendations on or before June 1, 2024.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0390 - Provision of Veterinary Services - Practice of Veterinary Medicine and Rabies Vaccines

Authorizing the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to issue a license to an animal control facility to administer rabies vaccines; requiring the Board to establish an expedited process to authorize a veterinary practitioner who holds a current, valid license to practice veterinary medicine in another state or jurisdiction to become licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State; and requiring the Secretary of Health to allow certain individuals to administer rabies vaccines under certain circumstances.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0442 - Economic Development – Sports Entertainment Facilities – Financing and Construction

Altering the amount of taxable or tax exempt bonds that the Maryland Stadium Authority may issue for certain sports entertainment facilities from \$200,000,000 to \$220,000,000; altering the entities from which the Authority is required to have received a request for financing and construction management services concerning a sports entertainment facility; altering the entities with which the

Authority is required to enter into an agreement before issuing bonds to finance a sports entertainment facility; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0451 - Procurement Improvement Council - Membership and Duties

Altering the membership of the Procurement Improvement Council to add the Comptroller; authorizing the Comptroller to send a designee to attend meetings of the Council if the Comptroller is unable to attend; and expanding the duties of the Council to include discussion of strategies to increase the participation of small, minority-owned, and women-owned businesses in procurement contracts.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0556 - Maryland Community Health Resources Commission - Compensation of Employees

Authorizing the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission, in consultation with the Secretary of Health, to set the compensation of certain Commission employees; and requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management, in consultation with the Secretary of Health, to determine the positions for which the Commission may set compensation.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0846 - Libraries - Circulation Records - Inspection, Use, or Disclosure Requirement Revision

Altering the circumstances under which public, school, college, or university libraries must permit the inspection, use, or disclosure of the circulation record of an individual.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

Friday, March 10th, 2023

SB0033 - Correctional Services - Parole - Life Imprisonment

Repealing provisions relating to gubernatorial approval of a decision of the Maryland Parole Commission to grant parole to an inmate serving a sentence of life imprisonment.

Passed 36-10. McKay voted Yea.

SB0067 - Clerks of the Circuit Courts - Civil Commissions - Presentation and Reporting

Requiring an appointee for a civil commission to contact the clerk of the circuit court to which the commission was delivered by the Governor to coordinate a time and place for the administration of the oath of office and presentation of the commission; altering the frequency with which the clerk of a circuit court must report to the Secretary of State the name and office of each officer who has taken the oath of office; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0071 - Execution on a Judgment - Child Support Arrearages - Workers' Compensation

Specifying that 25% of the net recovery by the debtor on a claim for workers' compensation is subject to execution on a judgment for a child support arrearage.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0135 - Worcester County - Alcoholic Beverages - Ocean City Promoter's License

Establishing an Ocean City promoter's license in Worcester County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Worcester County to issue the license to a for-profit organization to sell and serve beer, wine, and liquor at an entertainment event that is held on premises located within

the corporate limits of The Town of Ocean City, owned by the Town of Ocean City, and approved in writing by the Ocean City Police Department; and establishing a license fee of \$5,000 per entertainment event.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0257 - Task Force to Assess the Viability for No-Charge Phone Calls for State Incarcerated Individuals (Keeping Families Connected Act of 2023)

Establishing the Task Force to Assess the Viability for No-Charge Phone Calls for State Incarcerated Individuals; requiring the Task Force to analyze data related to no-charge prison phone call programs in other states, evaluate the projected program cost to the State, and evaluate and make recommendations to allow for no-charge phone calls by individuals confined in State correctional facilities while minimizing financial cost to the State; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations by December 31, 2023.

Passed 35-10. McKay voted Yea.

SB0303 - Talbot County - Speed Monitoring Systems - Intersection of Maryland Route 333 (Oxford Road) and Bonfield Avenue

Authorizing the placement and use of a speed monitoring system at the intersection of Maryland Route 333 (Oxford Road) and Bonfield Avenue in Talbot County, subject to placement and signage requirements; requiring the fines collected by the Town of Oxford as a result of violations enforced by a speed monitoring system to be used to assist in covering the cost of roadway and pedestrian safety improvements in the Town of Oxford; etc.

Passed 36-9. McKay voted Yea.

SB0304 - Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Modification of Seating Requirements

Modifying the seating requirements for Class B, Class BR, and Class C beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Carroll County.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0306 - Carroll County - Alcoholic Beverages - Multiple Event Entertainment Licenses

Establishing an annual fee of \$2,000 for a multiple event entertainment alcoholic beverages license where the number of events is 41 or more per year in Carroll County; and repealing the limit on the total number of days for which a multiple event entertainment license may be used.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0385 - Criminal Procedure – Restitution Orders – Recording Fees

Altering a certain provision to prohibit a court from assessing certain costs on a certain person or governmental unit for recording and indexing an order of restitution issued by any court in the State instead of the court in which the judgment of restitution was entered.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0393 - Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Residency Requirement

Requiring at least one applicant for an alcoholic beverages license in Carroll County to be a resident of the State, rather than the county, when an application is filed and remain a resident of the State for the license to remain valid; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0440 - Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages Districts - Legislative Districting Plan References

Updating certain provisions of law regarding Baltimore City alcoholic beverages districts to refer to the Legislative Districting Plan of 2022; and requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to grant a certain exemption to certain persons under certain circumstances.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0450 - Real Property - Limitations on Summoning Law Enforcement or Emergency Services – Prohibition

Prohibiting a landlord from using a lease or form of lease that contains a provision that limits a tenant's ability to summon, or penalizes a tenant or another individual solely for summoning, the assistance of law enforcement or emergency services; prohibiting a landlord from taking certain retaliatory actions because a tenant or another individual summons the assistance of law enforcement or emergency services for certain purposes; prohibiting a local jurisdiction from enacting certain laws; etc.

Passed 45-1. McKay voted Yea.

SB0469 - Task Force to Study Solar Tax Incentives

Establishing the Task Force to Study Solar Tax Incentives to study and make recommendations regarding a tax strategy that is more competitive than the State's current strategy to maximize the installation of rooftop solar panels and community solar energy generating systems, to facilitate and promote installation of grid-connected generation of renewable energy, and to meet the State's renewable energy goals; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 15, 2023.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0472 - City of Annapolis - Alcoholic Beverages - Art Establishment

Establishing an art establishment beer and wine license in the City of Annapolis; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to sell or serve beer and wine for on-premises consumption to a nonprofit organization primarily engaged in certain arts-related activities; and establishing an annual license fee of \$1,000.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0478 - Maryland Lynching Truth and Reconciliation Commission - Reporting and Sunset Extension

Extending the time for the submission of the final report of the Maryland Lynching Truth and Reconciliation Commission to December 1, 2025; and extending the termination date for the Commission to June 30, 2026.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0486 - Baltimore City Sheriff – Staffing

Increasing from one to three the number of assistant sheriffs required to be appointed by the Baltimore City Sheriff; and altering the staff the Baltimore City Sheriff is authorized to appoint to include four social workers and any additional sworn or civilian personnel that are funded by the Sheriff's operating budget or by any other funding source.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea

SB0491 - Charles County - Task Force to Study School Bus Operator Contracts and Wages

Establishing the Task Force to Study School Bus Operator Contracts and Wages in Charles County; requiring the Task Force to study issues related to student transportation, bus driver wages, and multiyear contracts for bus contractors in Charles County and to research best practices in surrounding jurisdictions related to the facilitation of student transportation; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the members of the Charles County Delegation to the General Assembly on or before September 1, 2023.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0519 - Charles County - Alcoholic Beverages - Unlicensed Establishments

Repealing the requirement that live entertainment be offered or provided by an unlicensed establishment for certain prohibitions relating to alcoholic beverages in Charles County to apply; and altering the conditions under which certain exemptions apply.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0527 - Fire, Rescue, or Emergency Medical Services Entities - Peer Support Programs

Altering the defined term "peer support counseling program" for peer services offered to fire, rescue, or emergency medical services members to be "peer support program"; and requiring peer support programs to be evidence-based.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0535 - Human Relations - Housing Discrimination - Service Dogs

Prohibiting a person from discriminating in the sale or rental of, or otherwise making unavailable or denying, a dwelling to an individual with a disability who has, obtains, or retains a certain service dog.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0588 - Baltimore City - 40th District - Alcoholic Beverages

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City to the holder of a Class C beer and light wine license; authorizing the Board to issue a Class A-7 beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0651 - Real Estate - Real Estate Brokerage Services and Termination of Residential Real Estate Contracts (The Anthony Moorman Act)

Requiring a real estate broker or an escrow agent, if a purchaser terminates a certain transaction under certain circumstances, to distribute trust money to the purchaser within 30 days after a certain written notice of the termination is sent; requiring a holder of trust money who makes a certain distribution to notify the seller and purchaser of the distribution within a certain period of time, subject to a certain exception; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0654 - Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages - Class HC (Health Club) License

Establishing 6-day and 7-day Class HC (health club) beer and wine licenses in Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the 6-day or 7-day license to a person that sells health club services, has a facility offering indoor or outdoor swimming

or both and pickleball courts, has at least 150 dues-paying members, and owns or leases real property in the county for use as a health club facility; establishing an annual fee of \$1,300 for a 6-day license and \$1,400 for a 7-day license; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0705 - Vehicle Laws – Certificate of Title – Surviving Spouse

Prohibiting the Motor Vehicle Administration from charging a fee for the issuance of a new certificate of title to a surviving spouse under certain circumstances.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0706 - Child Support - Reporting of Employment Information - Independent Contractors

Altering the definition of "earnings" in certain provisions of law relating to child support enforcement to include certain payments received by independent contractors; and establishing certain procedures for the reporting of certain employment information concerning certain independent contractors to the Child Support Administration for certain purposes related to child support enforcement.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0707 - Public Safety - Deputy State Fire Marshal - Probationary Status and Promotion

Requiring a certain deputy State fire marshal to be on probation for a period of 2 years after the date of appointment to the Office of the State Fire Marshal under certain circumstances; and specifying the pay that a certain deputy State fire marshal is entitled to on promotion.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0709 - Motor Vehicles - Commercial Driver's Licenses and Instructional Permits – Revisions

Altering the expiration date for a commercial driver's instructional permit held by certain individuals; and exempting a holder of a commercial driver's license who applies for renewal from the requirement to pass a vision test if the holder has a current certificate of physical examination on file with the Motor Vehicle Administration.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0711 - Child Support - Sports Wagering and Fantasy Competition Intercept

Making certain provisions of law relating to the authority of the Child Support Administration to intercept lottery prizes won by certain child support obligors under certain circumstances applicable to the winning of certain prizes from sports wagering or fantasy competitions by certain child support obligors under certain circumstances.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0738 - Harford County - Alcoholic Beverages - Performing Arts Theater License

Establishing in Harford County a performing arts theater beer and wine license that authorizes the holder to sell or serve beer and wine in certain performing arts theaters at retail for on-premises consumption; and establishing an annual license fee of \$500.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0792 - Estates and Trusts - Registered Domestic Partnerships

Establishing requirements for the registration and termination of domestic partnerships with the register of wills; repealing provisions on legitimacy and illegitimacy of children and providing for the parentage of a child born or conceived by registered domestic partners; requiring the register of wills

to recognize as domestic partnerships relationships established under the laws of other jurisdictions if the laws are substantially similar to the provisions of the Act; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0797 - Task Force on Preventing and Countering Elder Abuse

Establishing the Task Force on Preventing and Countering Elder Abuse; requiring the Task Force to study existing laws, policies, and practices relating to elder abuse and other crimes commonly committed against older adults and make recommendations regarding changes to State law, policy, and practice that would aid in preventing elder abuse; and requiring the Task Force to submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2024.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0821 - Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2023

Altering a certain condition under which the Board of License Commissioners of Garrett County may issue a certain alcoholic beverages license to a hotel or motel; authorizing a gift basket permit holder to purchase certain alcoholic beverages from a wholesaler; authorizing a holder of a Class C multiple day beer license, beer and wine license, or beer, wine, and liquor license to hold another license that is issued by the Board; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0847 - Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Violation Procedures and Fines

Establishing procedures for the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City, in the case of an alleged complaint against a licensed establishment or license holder, to make an offer of a monetary penalty as a compromise in lieu of a hearing before the Board under certain circumstances; and altering the maximum penalty for certain alcoholic beverages violations.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0867 - Vehicle Laws – Special and Commemorative Registration Plate – Maryland Heroes

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, in consultation with the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture, to design and issue a Maryland Heroes registration plate that features the images of Harriet Tubman and Frederick Douglass; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to charge certain additional registration fees related to the issuance and renewal of the Maryland Heroes registration plate and to distribute the additional registration fees in a certain manner; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.



Senator Mike McKay's
Third Reader Floor Votes
Week of March 13th, 2023

Monday, March 13th, 2023

SB0001 - Criminal Law - Wearing, Carrying, or Transporting Firearms - Restrictions (Gun Safety Act of 2023)

Prohibiting a person from knowingly wearing, carrying, or transporting a firearm onto the real property of another unless the other has given certain permission; prohibiting a person from wearing, carrying, or transporting a firearm under certain circumstances and in certain locations; altering the circumstances under which a person is prohibited from possessing a regulated firearm; altering provisions of law relating to obtaining and revoking a permit to wear, carry, or transport a firearm; etc.

Passed 31-16. McKay voted Nay.

SB0040 - Public Information Act - Inspection of Records From Body-Worn Digital Recording Devices

Establishing certain requirements for a custodian of records related to certain recordings from a certain body-worn digital recording device worn by a law enforcement officer; and requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission, in consultation with certain other entities and stakeholders, to develop certain uniform standards and policies.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0082 - Correctional Officers' Retirement System – Talbot County

Requiring membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System for certain local detention center officers of Talbot County in the event Talbot County becomes a participating governmental unit in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; and providing that certain local detention center officers who join the Correctional Officers' Retirement System and receive certain service credit shall no longer be members of the Employees' Pension System.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0101 - Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Collaborative Care Model Services – Implementation and Reimbursement Expansion

Repealing the Collaborative Care Pilot Program; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to expand access to and provide reimbursement for services provided in accordance with the Collaborative Care Model under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0104 - Labor and Employment - Apprenticeship 2030 Commission and Representation on the Apprenticeship and Training Council

Requiring that the Apprenticeship and Training Council and consultants to the Council include representation by individuals who are Asian, Black, and Latino; establishing the Apprenticeship 2030 Commission to examine and make recommendations to expand access to apprenticeships to reduce skill shortages in high-demand occupations and provide affordable training for career pathways for young people; and requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2023.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0144 - Public Utilities - Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs - Energy Performance Targets and Low-Income Housing

Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to procure or provide for electricity customers energy efficiency and conservation programs and services designed to achieve certain target annual incremental gross energy savings for the 2024-2026 program cycle; requiring the Department to update the weather-normalized gross retail sales against which savings are measured for certain plans; requiring the target annual incremental gross energy savings to be achieved based on an average of certain Department plans; etc.

Passed 40-7. McKay voted Yea.

SB0156 - Prince George's County - Prince George's County Reentry Employment Incentive Program – Funding

Requiring the Governor, for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2028, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Prince George's County Office of the County Executive to be used for the Prince George's County Reentry Employment Incentive Program; and requiring that funds made available by the Act are supplemental to, and may not supplant, funds otherwise available for the reentry employment incentives in Prince George's County.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0184 - Health Insurance - Diagnostic and Supplemental Examinations for Breast Cancer - Cost-Sharing

Prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide coverage for diagnostic and supplemental breast examinations from imposing a copayment, coinsurance, or deductible requirement for the examination; and applying the Act to all policies, contracts, and health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after January 1, 2024.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0185 - Maryland State Police Gun Center - Firearms Surrendered Under Final Protective Orders

Altering the purpose of the Maryland State Police Gun Center to include the tracking, screening, and vetting of all firearms surrendered under final protective orders in the State; and requiring each law enforcement agency to report to the Center the number and type of firearms surrendered, the jurisdictions where the firearms were surrendered, and certain information regarding the individual who surrendered each firearm under final protective orders.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0215 - Massage Therapy – Discipline

Authorizing the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners to grant a stay of enforcement of a Board order in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act; prohibiting an order of the Board from being stayed pending judicial review; authorizing the Board to appeal a decision that reverses or modifies its order; altering the grounds for disciplining massage therapists and procedures related to the discipline of massage therapists, including appeals procedures and reinstatement procedures; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0274 - State Retirement and Pension System - Earnable Compensation, Nonvested Former Members, and Immediate Vesting

Requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to pay a nonvested former member's accumulated contributions to the nonvested former member's designated beneficiary or estate if the nonvested former member dies before withdrawing the member's contributions; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0322 - Alcoholic Beverages - Class 4 Limited Winery License - Food Service

Authorizing the holder of a Class 4 limited winery license to prepare, sell, or serve any food under certain conditions; removing certain requirements for off-premises and on-premises consumption at a limited winery; and removing the 14-day notice requirement for planned promotional events at a limited winery.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0331 - Baltimore City – West North Avenue Development Authority – Membership and Procurement

Altering the membership of the West North Avenue Development Authority; and exempting the Authority from certain provisions of State procurement law.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0334 - State Procurement - Minority Business Enterprise Program - Extension and Reports

Altering to July 1, 2025, the termination date for certain provisions of law governing the Minority Business Enterprise Program and its application to offshore wind projects and video lottery terminals; and altering the date by which certain reports, studies, and guidelines must be submitted.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0368 - Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System - Membership - Emergency Medical Technicians

Authorizing membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for certain emergency medical technicians under certain circumstances.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0369 - Correctional Officers' Retirement System - Transfer of Membership - Modifications

Making certain members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System eligible to receive creditable service at retirement for unused sick leave accrued by the member in the State Employees' Retirement System or State Employees' Pension System; and requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer certain individuals' Employees' Retirement System or Employees' Pension System service to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System on June 30, 2024.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0395 - State Employee and Retiree Health Benefits - Creditable Service

Requiring the inclusion of all State service while an individual was employed by the State in the Executive, Legislative, or Judicial Branch of government for the purpose of determining eligibility for State retiree health benefits.

Passed 47-0 McKay voted Yea.

SB0425 - Maryland Historic Trust - Historic Preservation Loan Fund - Qualified Cooperating Nonprofit Organizations - Transfers

Altering the uses of the Historic Preservation Loan Fund; and authorizing the Maryland Historic Trust to transfer funds from the Fund to a qualified cooperating nonprofit organization for certain purposes.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0426 - University System of Maryland - Board of Regents - Quasi-Endowment Funds

Authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to make transfers of not more than \$150,000,000 subject to certain conditions to establish quasi-endowment funds; and authorizing the Board to use investment income produced by quasi-endowment funds in accordance with the University System of Maryland Policy on Endowment Fund Spending Rule to provide need-based student financial aid.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0455 - Real Estate Appraisers - Licensing and Certification - Qualifications

Altering the qualifications for a real estate appraisal license and for a certificate for residential or general real estate to include completion of certain criteria in the Practical Applications of Real Estate Appraisal program.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0466 - State Retirement and Pension System - Amortization of Unfunded Liabilities and Surpluses

Altering the amortization periods to be used for certain unfunded liabilities or surpluses of the State Retirement and Pension System.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0474 - Managed Care Organizations - Retroactive Denial of Reimbursement - Information in Written Statement

Altering the information that must be included in a written statement provided by a managed care organization to a health care provider when retroactively denying reimbursement as a result of coordination of benefits.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0481 - State Retirement and Pension System – Nonvested Accounts – Regular Interest

Requiring a certain rate of interest on certain member contributions in active members' nonvested accounts in the State Retirement and Pension System if the members have not withdrawn contributions from the nonvested accounts and are not eligible to receive a certain vested allowance; and applying the Act retroactively.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0498 - Rural Health Collaborative Pilot Repeal and Mid Shore Health Improvement Coalition Funding

Repealing the provisions of law establishing and governing the Rural Health Collaborative Pilot; and requiring the Governor to provide an appropriation in the State budget in certain fiscal years to the Mid Shore Health Improvement Coalition.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0591 - Labor and Employment - Noncompete and Conflict of Interest Provisions - Application of Prohibition

Altering the application of the prohibition on including a noncompete or conflict of interest provision in an employment contract or similar document or agreement that restricts the ability of an employee to enter into employment with a new employer or to become self-employed in the same or similar business or trade.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0667 - Annual Corrective Bill

Correcting certain errors or omissions in certain articles of the Annotated Code; clarifying language; correcting certain obsolete references; reorganizing certain sections of the Annotated Code; providing that this Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; and providing for the correction of certain errors and obsolete provisions by the publishers of the Annotated Code.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0672 - Alcoholic Beverages - Use of Alcoholic Beverages for Educational Purposes

Authorizing certain students who are at least 18 years old and under the age of 21 years to taste certain alcoholic beverages while participating in certain educational classes at certain institutions of higher education without criminal penalty to the student, instructor, or institution of higher education under certain circumstances.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0678 - Health Insurance - Reimbursement for Services Rendered by a Pharmacist

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, the Maryland Children's Health Program, and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for all services rendered to an enrollee by a licensed pharmacist within the pharmacist's lawful scope of practice, rather than only certain services, to the same extent as services rendered by any other health care practitioner.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0724 - Health Insurance Carriers - Requirements for Internal Grievance Process - Modification

Altering the process by which a health insurance carrier is required to provide notice of an adverse decision in nonemergency cases under the internal grievance process established by the carrier for its members.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0725 - Insurance - Product and Service Offerings

Authorizing certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to offer and provide certain products or services in conjunction with a policy at no charge or at a discounted price under certain circumstances; and prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from increasing a premium or denying a claim of a policyholder if the policyholder accepts, rejects, uses, or fails to use a certain product or service.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0827 - State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers, Appraisal Management Companies, and Home Inspectors – Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers, Appraisal Management Companies, and Home Inspectors in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2026, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Commission; and requiring an independent evaluation of the Commission to be conducted under the supervision of the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability in the Department of Legislative Services.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0833 - Prince George's County Violence Interrupter Support Program Fund

Establishing the Prince George's County Violence Interrupter Support Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide funding for violence interrupter support programs that use community-based efforts to reduce incidents of violence in Prince George's County; authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Fund in fiscal years 2025 through 2028; and requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0858 - Firearm Safety - Storage Requirements and Youth Suicide Prevention (Jaelynn's Law)

Altering the prohibition on reckless endangerment; altering a certain provision relating to the storage of firearms and ammunition in a location that can be accessed by an unsupervised child; prohibiting the storage of firearms and ammunition in a manner that allows access by certain persons; requiring the Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services to develop a youth suicide prevention and firearm safe storage guide; authorizing a State income tax credit for the purchase of certain firearm safety devices during the taxable year; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0877 - Annual Curative Bill

Generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title defects; and generally repealing and reenacting without amendments certain Acts of the General Assembly that may be subject to possible title defects in order to validate those Acts.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

Tuesday, March 14th, 2023

SB0136 - Unemployment Insurance - Recovery of Benefits - Limitation and Methods

Limiting the percentage of the weekly benefits amount that the Secretary of Labor may deduct from the weekly benefits payable to a claimant in the future to recover certain overpayments of unemployment insurance benefits to either up to 50% of the weekly benefit amount or 25% of the weekly benefit amount if the weekly benefit amount is less than or equal to \$100; and clarifying the circumstances under which the Secretary may use certain methods to recover overpayments of unemployment insurance benefits.

Passed 43-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0341 - Public Senior Higher Education Institutions – Reproductive Health Services Plans – Requirements

Requiring, on or before August 1, 2024, certain public senior higher education institutions, in consultation with students, to develop and implement a reproductive health services plan; requiring

the University of Baltimore, in lieu of developing and implementing a reproductive health services plan, to provide students with access to certain contraception through certain means; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on request, to provide assistance to a public senior higher education institution in developing the plan.

Passed 31-13. McKay voted Nay

SB0379 - Election Law - Ballot Processing and Reporting Procedures and 2024 Primary Date

Altering the procedures for the canvassing of and curing of errors on absentee and provisional ballots; repealing the requirements that a certain statement of election results be by precinct and that the local boards of elections publish copies of the complete election results in a certain manner; requiring that a certain report of election results by the State Board of Elections be reported by precinct, including reports of the early, absentee, and provisional vote; altering the date of certain elections in 2024; etc.

Passed 33-11. McKay voted Yea.

SB0494 - Maryland State Department of Education - Employee Status and Designation

Requiring the Secretary of the Budget and Management to assign certain employees of the State Department of Education to the executive, management, professional, and skilled services of the State Personnel Management System and to assign certain employees to certain bargaining units; and requiring that these employees suffer no diminution of pay or benefits.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0607 - Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - 46th Alcoholic Beverages District - Revisions

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to approve a license expansion to a noncontiguous property with a separate use permit issued by the City if a certain condition is met; authorizing the establishment and conversion of various alcoholic beverages licenses in the 46th alcoholic beverages district; extending for 1 year the expiration of an alcoholic beverages license issued for a certain area for the purposes of transferring the license to another owner at the same location; etc.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0727 - State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2025, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0728 - State Board of Examiners in Optometry - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board of Examiners in Optometry in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2025, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0731 - State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending

to July 1, 2025, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0798 - Declaration of Rights - Right to Reproductive Freedom

Establishing that every person, as a central component of an individual's rights to liberty and equality, has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom; and prohibiting the State from, directly or indirectly, denying, burdening, or abridging the right unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means.

Passed 32-15. McKay voted Nay.

Wednesday, March 15th, 2023

SB0291 - Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Recreational Facilities

Establishing that a provision in a contract or agreement relating to the use of a recreational facility that purports to release the recreational facility from, limit, or indemnify or hold harmless the recreational facility against, liability for bodily injury is void and unenforceable when the bodily injury is caused by or results from the negligence or other wrongful act of the recreational facility or its agents or employees.

Passed 35-11. McKay voted Yea.

SB0335 - Real Property - Unlawfully Restrictive Covenants - Modification by Counties or Municipalities

Authorizing a county or municipality to execute and record a restrictive covenant modification to an unlawfully restrictive covenant for a property within the boundaries of the county or municipality after providing persons with an ownership interest in the property with 30 days' written notice; providing that persons with an ownership interest in property that is subject to an unlawfully restrictive covenant may decline action by a county or municipality to execute and record a restrictive covenant with certain notice; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0336 - Waterway Incident Notification System (WINS) Workgroup

Establishing the Waterway Incident Notification System (WINS) Workgroup to study issues and factors regarding the feasibility of establishing a Waterway Incident Notification System to notify members of the public of certain waterway emergencies; requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2023, and a final report on or before September 30, 2024.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0693 - Transportation - Assaults on Public Transit Operators – Report

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to submit a certain annual report on assaults on public transit operators to each local executive authority, the State's Attorney for each county, the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Judiciary Committee, and the House Environment and Transportation Committee.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0858 - Firearm Safety - Storage Requirements and Youth Suicide Prevention (Jaelynn's Law)

Altering the prohibition on reckless endangerment; altering a certain provision relating to the storage of firearms and ammunition in a location that can be accessed by an unsupervised child; prohibiting the storage of firearms and ammunition in a manner that allows access by certain persons; requiring the Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services to develop a youth suicide prevention and firearm safe storage guide; authorizing a State income tax credit for the purchase of certain firearm safety devices during the taxable year; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

Thursday, March 16th, 2023

SB0714 - State Board of Certified Interior Designers - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board of Certified Interior Designers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0715 - State Board of Foresters - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board of Foresters in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2035, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0716 - State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0717 - State Board of Stationary Engineers - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board of Stationary Engineers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0031 -Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners - Student Members and Task Force to Study Compensation and Student Members

Altering the voting rights of and the process for selecting a student member of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners; providing that the student member may not vote on matters before the board relating to personnel and collective bargaining decisions; establishing the Task Force to Study Compensation and Student Members of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before April 1, 2024.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0062 - Land Use - Public Service Companies - Pollinator-Friendly Vegetation Management and Utility-Designated Pollinator Areas

Prohibiting local jurisdictions from imposing certain limitations and land use restrictions on utility-designated pollinator areas maintained by a public service company under certain conditions; requiring certain public service companies to mow utility-designated pollinator areas in a certain manner in order to minimize disturbances to habitats; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0112 - State Finance and Procurement - Grants - Prompt Payment Requirement

Establishing invoicing and prompt payment requirements for certain State grants; defining "grant" as a legal instrument of financial assistance between a State grant-making entity and a nonprofit organization exempt from taxation under § 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code that is used for certain purposes, distinguished from a cooperative agreement in a certain manner, and executed, renewed, or extended on or after June 1, 2023; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0140 - State Highway Administration - Fallen Heroes Fishing Creek Bridge

Requiring the State Highway Administration to name the bridge across Fishing Creek on Maryland Route 261 in Calvert County the Fallen Heroes Fishing Creek Bridge.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0213 - Health Occupations - Clinical Nurse Specialists - Prescribing

Defining "clinical nurse specialist" and "practice as a clinical nurse specialist" for the purpose of authorizing clinical nurse specialists to prescribe drugs and durable medical equipment under regulations adopted by the State Board of Nursing; designating a clinical nurse specialist as an "authorized prescriber" under the Maryland Pharmacy Act; and authorizing a licensed physician to personally prepare and dispense a prescription written by a clinical nurse specialist.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0271 - Education - Maryland Civic Excellence Program – Established

Establishing the Maryland Civic Excellence Program to recognize students and public schools that promote the civic readiness and civic engagement of students in public schools in the State; requiring each participating local school system, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, to award a student a Seal of Civic Excellence if the student meets certain criteria and designate a public school as a Center of Civil Excellence under certain circumstances, and to submit an annual report to the Department of Education by July 1 starting in 2024; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0302 - Talbot County - Board of Education - Election of Officers

Altering the timing of the annual election of the officers of the Talbot County Board of Education to be at its last meeting at the end of each calendar year, or at the meeting in December each year.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0354 - Income Tax Checkoff - Maryland Veterans Trust Fund

Establishing a certain income tax checkoff for voluntary contributions to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund; and requiring, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022, the Comptroller to include a checkoff on individual income tax return forms for voluntary contributions to the Fund and to include certain information in each individual income tax return package.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0375 - State Board of Physicians – Inactive and Emeritus Status

Authorizing the State Board of Physicians to place a licensee on emeritus status under certain circumstances; requiring the Board, under certain circumstances, to reinstate the license of an individual who is on inactive or emeritus status; exempting licensees who are on inactive status or emeritus status from continuing medical education requirements; repealing the requirement that the Board issue a license to an individual who is on inactive status under certain circumstances; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0402 - Kent County - Board of Education - Student Member

Altering the membership of the Kent County Board of Education to include a student member; and providing for the initial term of the student member of the county board.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0414 - Commission to Advance and Strengthen Fire Fighting and Emergency Medical Services Within Maryland

Establishing the Commission to Advance and Strengthen Fire Fighting and Emergency Medical Services Within Maryland to study and make recommendations regarding the effectiveness and viability of certain incentives, offerings, or practices employed in other states to attract, support, and retain individuals in fire fighting and emergency medical services roles; and requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2023.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0434 - Natural Resources - Restorative Aquaculture Pilot Program

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a Restorative Aquaculture Pilot Program to provide financial incentives to holders of aquaculture leases who maintain the lease in accord with certain criteria and maintain the restorative conditions for at least 4 years; and authorizing a holder of an aquaculture lease who is participating in the Pilot Program to meet certain requirements by shellfish seed planting only.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0445 - Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program – Alterations

Expanding the forms of financial assistance available under the Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program; altering eligibility requirements for projects that may receive financial assistance under the Program; altering the time period when applications may be submitted under the Program; repealing certain restrictions on the amount of financial assistance that may be provided under the Program; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0448 - Alcoholic Beverages – Manufacturer’s Licenses and Off–Site Permits

Extending the termination date, to June 30, 2025, for provisions relating to the authorization of holders of certain manufacturer's licenses to sell and deliver and to directly ship their own alcoholic beverages products to certain individuals under certain circumstances; establishing the maximum amount of beer and liquor that holders of certain manufacturer's licenses may directly ship to consumers in a calendar year; delaying the effective date for the authorization of certain manufacturer off-site permits to July 1, 2025; etc.

Passed 43-3. McKay voted Yea.

SB0449 - Maryland Audiology, Hearing Aid Dispensing, Speech-Language Pathology, and Music Therapy Act - Definitions and Application

Altering the definition of "hearing aid dispensing" to include certain actions taken for the purpose of ordering certain hearing instruments and specifying that certain hearing instruments include prescription hearing aids; altering the definition of "practice audiology" for purposes of certain provisions of law governing the licensure of audiologists to include prescribing, ordering, selling, dispensing, or fitting hearing aids to an individual for the correction or relief of a condition for which hearing aids are worn; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0454 - State Police Retirement System, Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System, and Judges' Retirement System - Surviving Spouse Benefit - Same-Sex Spouses

Authorizing the correction of the designated beneficiary election for certain retirees of the State Police Retirement System, Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System, or Judges' Retirement System who retired on or before December 31, 2012, if the retiree named an individual of the same sex to be a designated beneficiary and the retiree married the designated beneficiary on or after January 1, 2013.

Passed 45-2. McKay voted Yea.

SB0471 - Sediment Control Plans, Discharge Permits for Stormwater Associated With Construction Activity, and Notice and Comment Requirements

Requiring the Department of the Environment to review and update specifications for sediment control plans in a certain manner on or before December 1, 2024, and every 5 years thereafter; prohibiting the Department from authorizing the discharge of stormwater associated with construction activity under a general discharge permit unless certain requirements are satisfied; and requiring the Department to take certain public notice and comment actions if a person makes a written request within the public notification period of the permit.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0482 - Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program - Mental Health Professionals in Public Schools

Expanding the purpose of the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include assisting in the repayment of loans for mental health professionals serving as school psychologists, resource psychologists, psychologist coordinators, social workers, social worker supervisors, or mental health coordinators employed by county school systems or certain local health departments in the State; and requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance to publicize the Program to eligible mental health professionals for a certain purpose.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0496 - Commercial Financing Transactions

Requiring that certain revenue, fees, and examination and investigation fees and assessments relating to commercial financing transactions be credited to the Nondepository Special Fund; and regulating commercial financing transactions, including by establishing requirements related to disclosures, calculations of annual percentage rates, terms of repayments, and other related items, and the extension of special offers.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0517 - Port of Deposit State Historical Park - Planning

Altering composition of the stakeholder advisory committee to advise the Department of Natural Resources on the scope and management of Port of Deposit State Historical Park; requiring the Department to make a certain report to the General Assembly on or before September 1, 2024; extending the deadline for the Bainbridge Development Corporation to transfer certain property to the Department to June 1, 2025; authorizing the Governor to include in the State budget an appropriation of at least \$400,000 for certain purposes; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0524 - Garrett County - Board of County Commissioners – Meetings

Requiring the Board of County Commissioners for Garrett County to meet at least twice a month; authorizing the Board to hold public meetings in person or through live video streaming; and prohibiting the Board from meeting solely through live video streaming for more than two consecutive meetings without a formal declaration of a state of emergency.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0545 - Towing or Removal of Vehicles - Reclamation Hours

Limiting, to at a minimum from 6 a.m. to midnight, the hours during which a certain person in possession of a vehicle that has been towed or removed from a parking lot is required to provide an opportunity for the vehicle owner or the owner's agent to retake possession of the vehicle; and altering a certain signage requirement imposed on the owner or operator of a parking lot relating to hours during which a towed vehicle may be reclaimed.

Passed 29-18. McKay voted Yea.

SB0550 - Financial Regulation - Maryland Community Investment Venture Fund - Establishment (Access to Banking Act)

Authorizing the establishment of a Maryland Community Investment Venture Fund by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to develop opportunities for banking institutions and credit unions to better serve the needs of low- to moderate-income tracts; providing for certain assessment offset credits for certain banking institutions and credit unions that establish de novo branches or maintain branches in certain areas; authorizing the use of the Banking Institution and Credit Union Regulation Fund for certain purposes; etc.

Passed 37-10. McKay voted Nay.

SB0554 - Maryland National Guard - Tricare Premium Reimbursement Program - Establishment (Health Care for Heroes Act of 2023)

Establishing the Tricare Premium Reimbursement Program in the Military Department for the Department to award grants to reimburse certain members of the National Guard for the cost of premiums for certain health care and dental care plans; and requiring the Department to adopt regulations to administer and implement the program.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0560 - Animal Testing and Research - Human-Relevant Research Funding and Animal Testing and Research Contributions

Establishing the Human-Relevant Research Fund under the administration of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation as a special, nonlapsing fund; requiring that the interest earnings of the Fund be credited to the Fund; requiring the Corporation to establish a grant and loan program to provide grants and loans for State-funded, human-relevant animal testing alternatives

research; and requiring certain research facilities who engage in animal testing or research to pay a certain contribution to the Secretary of Health.

Passed 37-10. McKay voted Nay.

SB0589 - Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Related Event Promoter’s Permit

Clarifying that the defined term "related event" as it applies to a related event promoter's permit in Baltimore City includes events for which tickets are sold in advance or at the door or cover charges are imposed; reducing the number of days within which a person must apply for a permit, the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City must take certain actions relating to the permit, and alterations may be made to the permit; and altering the standards for determining the permit fee.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0620 - Institutions of Higher Education - Sports Wagering Contracts – Prohibition

Prohibiting institutions of higher education from entering into a contract with a certain regulated gaming entity or a certain agent of a regulated gaming entity if the institution of higher education receives certain compensation for student participation in certain sports wagering; prohibiting institutions of higher education from entering into a contract with a sports marketing entity if the entity or the institution receives certain compensation for student participation in certain sports wagering; etc.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0634 - Natural Resources - Oyster Inspection and Severance Taxes – Increase

Increasing the amount of the inspection tax levied on marketable oysters shipped in the shell to any place outside the State from 30 cents to \$1 per bushel; increasing the amount of the severance tax levied on oysters caught within certain natural oyster bars from \$1 to \$2 per bushel; requiring that \$1 of each \$2 of the severance tax levied be used by certain county oyster committees for the repletion of natural oyster bars within the waters of the counties; etc.

Passed 44-3. McKay voted Yea.

SB0661 -Unemployment Insurance – Tax Parity for Delayed Payments of Benefits

Requiring the Comptroller to provide a certain grant payment to an individual paid certain unemployment insurance benefits after December 31, 2021, but before January 1, 2023, under certain circumstances; and allowing a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for the amounts of grants paid in accordance with the Act.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0686 - Civil Actions - Child Sexual Abuse - Definition, Damages, and Statute of Limitations (The Child Victims Act of 2023)

Altering the definition of "sexual abuse" for purposes relating to civil actions for child sexual abuse to include any act that involves an adult allowing or encouraging a child to engage in certain activities or any other sexual conduct that is a crime; repealing the statute of limitations in certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse; repealing a statute of repose for certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse; providing for the retroactive application of the Act under certain circumstances; etc.

Passed 42-5. McKay voted Yea.

SB0719 - Public Safety - State Fuel Security Program

Establishing the State Fuel Security Program to be administered and enforced by the Maryland Energy Administration; authorizing the Administration, in coordination with the Department of Emergency Management and the Department of Information Technology, to collect, store, and disseminate certain energy-related data for a certain purpose and subject to certain requirements; requiring certain entities to provide the Administration with certain information under certain circumstances; and establishing certain penalties.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0722 - State Department of Assessments and Taxation – Mandatory Retirement Age – Repeal

Repealing the mandatory retirement age for the Director of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation and the supervisor of assessments for a county.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0723 - Corporations and Associations - Electronic Copies Fee – Repeal

Repealing a \$1-per-page fee for electronic copies of certain documents recorded or filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0733 - Carroll County - County Commissioner Districts – Alterations

Altering the boundaries for the county commissioner districts in Carroll County.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0793 - Consumer Protection - Motor Vehicle Glass Repair or Replacement - Advanced Driver Assistance System Recalibration

Establishing consumer protections related to the repair or replacement of motor vehicle glass on motor vehicles equipped with an advanced driver assistance system; and establishing that a violation of the Act is an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0822 -Pathways in Technology Early College High (P-TECH) School Program - High School Diplomas

Requiring that each memorandum of understanding establishing a school in the Pathways in Technology Early College High (P-TECH) School Program ensures that each P-TECH student receives a high school diploma immediately following completion of high school graduation requirements.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0838 - Workplace Fraud and Prevailing Wage - Violations – Referrals

Requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to refer to the Comptroller for an investigation by the Field Enforcement Bureau certain complaints that allege a violation of certain tax laws under certain circumstances.

Passed 35-12. McKay voted Nay.

SB0842 - Maryland Holocaust Remembrance Day

Requiring the Governor to annually proclaim January 27 as Maryland Holocaust Remembrance Day; and requiring the proclamation to include a declaration of the purposes of Maryland Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Passed 47-0. McKay voted Yea.

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SB0111 - Election Law - Campaign Finance - Draft Committees and Exploratory Committees

Applying certain campaign finance requirements for a political committee to draft committees and exploratory committees; establishing requirements and prohibitions for draft and exploratory committees relating to the establishment of the committees, receipt of funds, and permissible disbursements; requiring an authorized candidate campaign committee that results from the draft committee or exploratory committee to make any equipment purchases from the draft committee or exploratory committee at the fair market value of the equipment; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0143 - Electricity - Net Energy Metering and Virtual Net Energy Metering - Accrual of Net Excess Generation (Net Metering Flexibility Act)

Authorizing a certain eligible customer-generator to accrue net excess generation for an indefinite period; requiring the Public Service Commission to establish a method for calculating the value of certain accrued net excess generation; and requiring that a subscriber of a community solar energy generating system accrue virtual net excess generation in the same manner as a certain eligible customer-generator.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0346 - Maryland Sign Language Interpreters Act

Establishing a licensing and regulatory system for sign language interpreters under the State Board of Sign Language Interpreters in the Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; establishing the Sign Language Interpreters Fund to be used exclusively to cover the actual documented direct and indirect costs of fulfilling the Board's duties, including the development of programs to assist the licensure of marginalized interpreters, the development of certain mentorship programs, and financial assistance for certain applicants; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0381 - Baltimore City - Alcoholic Beverages - Class A-7 Licenses

Repealing certain geographic and temporal restrictions on the issuance of Class A-7 beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Baltimore City.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0391 - Criminal Procedure - Victims of Sexually Assaultive Behavior

Requiring a certain assistant State's Attorney with knowledge of the case to meet with a victim of sexually assaultive behavior or the victim's representative within 20 days after receiving a request from the victim regarding a decision by the Office of the State's Attorney not to file a charging document or to dismiss charges against an alleged suspect; requiring the assistant State's Attorney, at

the meeting, to explain the justification for a certain decision; and establishing certain requirements for the meeting.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0428 - Washington County - Deputy Sheriffs and Correctional Deputies - Employment Conditions and Collective Bargaining

Altering the grounds on which a deputy sheriff having a rank of major or below in Washington County may be discharged after 2 years of continuous employment; providing that a special deputy sheriff in Washington County is not a State employee for certain purposes; authorizing sworn deputy sheriffs at the rank of sergeant and below and correctional deputies at the rank of sergeant and below to engage in collective bargaining with the Washington County Sheriff and the County Administrator; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0462 – Frederick County - Sheriff - Salary

Altering the annual salary of the Sheriff of Frederick County to be equal to the salary of a Department of State Police lieutenant colonel, at the highest available step for a lieutenant colonel under the Department of State Police pay plan.

Passed 45-1. McKay voted Yea.

SB0483 - Private Well Safety Act of 2023

Establishing the Private Well Safety Program in the Department of the Environment to manage and, subject to the availability of certain funding, address the contamination of certain private and domestic water supply wells in the State; establishing the Private Well Safety Fund to award grants to certain counties and households for costs associated with water quality testing and remediation; requiring the Department of the Environment to utilize an online portal to receive, upload, and provide to the public certain information; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0551 - Department of Service and Civic Innovation and Maryland Corps Program Service Year Option Pathways - Established (Serving Every Region Through Vocational Exploration Act of 2023)

Establishing the Department of Service and Civic Innovation; providing that the purpose of the Department is to promote service and volunteerism in the State; establishing the Secretary of Service and Civic Innovation and the duties and responsibilities of the Secretary; altering the provisions of the Maryland Corps Program, including requiring the Department to administer the Program; establishing the Young Adult Service Year Option Pathway Fund; providing for the purposes, use, administration, and contents of the Fund; etc.

Passed 37-9. McKay voted Yea.

SB0559 – Education - Maryland Meals for Achievement In-Classroom Breakfast Program - Annual Appropriation

Increasing the appropriation required by the Governor in the annual budget bill for the Maryland Meals for Achievement In-Classroom Breakfast Program from \$7,550,000 to \$12,050,000.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0561 - Goodwill Industries of Chesapeake Excel Center in Baltimore City – Alterations

Altering the name of a recipient from the Goodwill Excel Center to the Goodwill Industries of Chesapeake Excel Center in Baltimore City; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Goodwill Industries of Chesapeake Excel Center in Baltimore City for each of fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0574 - State Employee Rights and Protections - Personnel Actions and Harassment – Complaints

Authorizing an applicant for State employment or a State employee to file a complaint alleging harassment by an employer within 2 years after the alleged violation that is the basis of the complaint; and increasing, from 30 days to 1 year, the period of time for an applicant or employee to file a complaint alleging certain prohibited personnel actions.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB615 - Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services - Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit Reporting Program

Requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to establish and administer a certain reporting program relating to sexual assault evidence collection kits; requiring a law enforcement agency and a person with control or possession of a sexual assault evidence collection kit to report certain information to the program and comply with certain regulations; and clarifying the uses for the Rape Kit Testing Grant Fund.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0663 - Investor-Owned Electric Companies - Clean Energy Homes Pilot Programs - Establishment (Maryland Resilient and Clean Energy Homes Act)

Requiring each investor-owned electric company, on or before January 1, 2025, to file with the Public Service Commission an application for a pilot program to support residential customer adoption of beneficial electrification measures; requiring the pilot program to include a certain make-ready program, a certain rebate program for on-site clean energy systems, a certain multifamily housing facilities clean energy incentive program, and a certain load management and electric grid support services program; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0685 - Vehicle Laws - Autonomous Vehicle Converters - Sale of Autonomous Vehicles

Authorizing an autonomous vehicle converter to sell, transfer, lease, offer for sale, or resell a converted autonomous vehicle or a motor vehicle purchased with the intent to convert the motor vehicle into a converted autonomous vehicle; establishing that certain portions of the Act apply only to motor vehicles intended for commercial or industrial use; and prohibiting an autonomous vehicle converter from holding certain occupational vehicle licenses issued under the Maryland Vehicle Law.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0713 - State Board of Architects - Sunset Extension

Continuing the State Board of Architects in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2028, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0741 - Public Safety - Refrigerants - Limitations on Use

Providing that, notwithstanding any other law, regulation, or requirement, except for regulations issued by the Department of the Environment, the use of a refrigerant may not be prohibited or otherwise limited if the refrigerant is designated as acceptable for use under federal listing requirements and any appliance containing the refrigerant meets federal safety standards and use conditions.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0756 - Access to Counsel in Evictions – Funding

Extending through fiscal year 2027 a requirement that the Comptroller distribute \$14,000,000 of certain abandoned property funds to the Access to Counsel in Evictions Special Fund; and extending through fiscal year 2027 a requirement that the Governor include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$14,000,000 from the Fund to the Maryland Legal Services Corporation

Passed 35-11. McKay voted Yea.

SB0769 - Baltimore City – Residential Real Property – Disclaimed Property and Exemptions From Prepayment

Authorizing Baltimore City to acquire certain disclaimed residential real property of a decedent's estate under certain circumstances; exempting, under certain circumstances, grants of residential real property in Baltimore City from the estate of a decedent to an heir of the decedent and transfers of certain disclaimed residential real property to Baltimore City from certain provisions of law requiring the prepayment of certain real property taxes; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0823 - Natural Resources - Annual State Park Pass - Discounts for Law Enforcement Officers and First Responders

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to provide a discount of at least \$40 on annual State park passes for all first responders and law enforcement officers who are Maryland residents.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0828 - Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program - Modifications

Modifying the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program by clarifying and altering certain provisions relating to the administration of the Program; establishing the employer and employee shares of the total rate of contribution; prohibiting the total rate of contribution from exceeding 1.2% of an employee's wage; requiring the State to pay for certain contributions for certain covered employees; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse certain community providers for certain employer contributions in a certain manner; etc.

Passed 32-13. McKay voted Nay.

SB0830 - Environmental Health Specialists and Well and Septic Systems Permitting - Studies (Environmental Health Systems Support Act of 2023)

Requiring the Department of the Environment and the Maryland Department of Health, in conjunction with the Board of Environmental Health Specialists, to conduct a study on staffing needs for environmental health specialists in local health departments; requiring the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services and the University of Maryland Agriculture and Food Systems Extension Program, to study the delegation of well and septic systems permitting authority; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0836 - Maryland Native Plants Program

Establishing the Maryland Native Plants Program to respond to the increasing demand for, use of, and sale of plants native to Maryland at retail garden centers and retail and wholesale nurseries and to educate the public on native plants; requiring the Department of Agriculture to administer the Program in coordination with the University of Maryland Extension; requiring the University of Maryland Extension to hire an extension agent to serve as a native plant specialist for certain educational purposes; etc.

Passed 46-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0021 - Criminal Law - Person in a Position of Authority - Sexual Offenses With a Minor

Altering the definition of "person in a position of authority" for purposes of a certain prohibition against engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor; altering a certain prohibition against a certain person from engaging in certain conduct in a position of authority to prohibit a certain person from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor who is enrolled in certain programs where the person in a position of authority is employed or under contract; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0100 - Real Property – Actions to Repossess – Proof of Rental Licensure

Requiring, in certain actions to repossess residential rental property, a landlord to submit to the clerk of the court evidence of compliance with certain local rental property licensure requirements and demonstrate that the landlord is compliant with the licensure requirements.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0129 - Criminal Law - Sexual Crimes - Repeal of Spousal Defense

Repealing a certain prohibition on prosecuting a person for rape or a certain sexual offense against a victim who was the person's legal spouse at the time of the alleged rape or sexual offense.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0154 - Public Health - Mental Health Advance Directives - Awareness and Statewide Database

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop and implement a public awareness campaign to encourage the use of mental health advance directives in the State; and requiring the Behavioral Health Administration and the Maryland Health Care Commission jointly to study how first responders and behavioral health crisis providers can access a certain advanced directive database when responding to a behavioral health crisis and to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on their findings on or before December 1, 2023.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0164 - Driver's Licenses - Suspension for Child Support Arrearages - Exception

Establishing a certain exception to the authority of the Child Support Administration to notify the Motor Vehicle Administration of an individual's child support arrearages for the purpose of suspending the individual's driver's license or privilege to drive if the obligor's income is at or below 250% of the federal poverty guidelines; authorizing the Child Support Administration to consider certain information in determining the income of an obligor under the Act; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0216 - Massage Therapy - Definition, Registration, and Reimbursement

Altering the definition of "massage therapy"; altering the date after which the option to be registered by the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners to practice massage therapy in a setting that is not a health care setting will no longer be available; and repealing a provision of law that provides that certain provisions of law do not require a nonprofit health insurance plan, an insurer, a health maintenance organization, or a person acting as a third party administrator to reimburse certain individuals for services rendered.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0223 - State Government – State Facilities Changes and Closures – Procedures

Requiring a principal department of the Executive Branch to give certain notice to the public, the General Assembly, and any exclusive representative with certain bargaining unit employees and hold a public hearing before changing the use, purpose, or function of a State facility or closing a State facility; authorizing a government agency or judicial body that determines an emergency situation posing a certain health risk exists to modify the timelines required by the Act in a certain manner; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0228 - Department of Aging - Long-Term Care and Dementia Care Navigation Programs

Requiring the Department of Aging to oversee and train the staff of long-term care and dementia care navigation programs; requiring each area agency to establish a long-term care and dementia care navigation program; requiring the Department to submit a report, by October 1, 2024, and each year thereafter, to the Governor, the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, and certain committees on the services provided under the Act; and requiring the Department to publish the report on its website.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0255 - Public Health - Home- and Community-Based Services for Children and Youth

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to expand access to and provide reimbursement for certain wraparound, intensive in-home, and case management services; requiring, beginning in fiscal year 2024, the Behavioral Health Administration to fund 100 slots in the mental health case management program for children or youth at risk of out-of-home placement who are not eligible for Program services; requiring the Governor to include funding in the annual budget bill for certain behavioral health services and supports; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0262 - Environment - On-Farm Composting Facilities - Permit Exemption

Requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt regulations to exempt an on-farm composting facility from the requirement to obtain a permit if the on-farm composting facility uses 10,000 square feet of area or less for active food scrap composting, composts only certain materials, records the amount and source of off-site type 2 organics composted and the date and time the off-site type 2 organics arrived on the farm, retains the records for 5 years, provides records on request, and meets any other condition for a permit exemption; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0300 - Baltimore City Young Readers Program – Expansion and Alterations

Altering the Baltimore City Young Readers Program to be the Statewide Young Readers Program; establishing the Program within the Maryland State Library Agency; requiring the State Librarian to administer the Program; requiring program grant applicants to prioritize the distribution of books to children in low-income zip codes within the applicants' area of service; and requiring the State Library Board, beginning by December 1, 2024, to report every other year to the General Assembly on the effectiveness of the Program.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0404 - Hospitals - Financial Assistance - Medical Bill Reimbursement Process

Establishing requirements related to the reimbursement of out-of-pocket costs paid by certain hospital patients who were eligible for free care, including requirements related to the consideration of data and the reporting and disclosure of certain information; authorizing the imposition of a fine not exceeding \$50,000 per violation if a hospital fails to provide refunds to qualifying patients; making a violation of the Act an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice subject to penalties under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0431 - Alcoholic Beverages - Class 9 Limited Distillery License - Self-Distribution

Authorizing a holder of a Class 9 limited distillery license to apply for or possess a Class 8 liquor wholesaler's license.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0446 - Estates and Trusts - Trusts - Decanting (Maryland Trust Decanting Act)

Establishing rules governing the exercise of the decanting power to distribute the property of a first trust to one or more second trusts or to modify the terms of a first trust.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0525 - Economic Development - Program Participation - Cannabis Business Establishments

Prohibiting the Department of Commerce from denying certain cannabis business entities conducting business in the State certain economic development program benefits under certain circumstances; clarifying the eligibility of certain cannabis business entities conducting business in the State under the Job Creation and One Maryland programs; authorizing certain cannabis business entities to reapply for benefits under certain economic development programs; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0541 - Cigarettes - Wholesalers - Disclosure of Information

Requiring each licensed cigarette wholesaler to submit complete and accurate information in the form and manner the Comptroller requires to facilitate compliance with certain provisions of law relating to cigarettes.

Passed 36-9. McKay voted Nay.

SB0562 - Maryland Small Food Banks Grant Program - Establishment

Establishing the Maryland Small Food Banks Grant Program in the Department of Human Services; requiring the Department to give priority to nonprofit entities in the State that conduct assessments, with ongoing data collection to track success, and can demonstrate strong community involvement and partnerships, consistent stakeholder engagement, sustainability with diverse funding streams,

innovation, and a focus on underserved communities; and authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill up to \$3,000,000 for the Program.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0601 - Maryland Health Benefit Exchange - State-Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program - Sunset Extension

Extending the termination date of certain provisions of law that establish and govern the funding for the State-Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program; and requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange, in consultation with the Maryland Insurance Administration, to conduct a study on available federal and State subsidies and report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024.

Passed 33-12. McKay voted Nay.

SB0608 - Human Services - Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council

Codifying the Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council as an instrumentality of the State to submit, monitor, implement, and evaluate the State Plan under the federal Rehabilitation Act in conjunction with Centers for Independent Living in the State; and requiring the Attorney General to be the legal advisor to the Council.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0631 - Child Abuse and Neglect - Reports and Records - Disclosure

Requiring a local director of a local department of social services or the Secretary of Human Services to disclose certain reports and records of child abuse and neglect within 30 days after receiving a request if certain conditions are met; requiring the Secretary to notify the State's Attorney's office of a request to disclose certain reports and records of child abuse and neglect; requiring the State's Attorney's office to be given 30 days during which the office is authorized to redact certain portions of the reports and records; etc.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0649 - State Government - Regulation Procedures and the Maryland Register

Requiring the Division of State Documents to make at least the 15 most recent issues of the Maryland Register available to the public for online searching; altering the requirements for a unit of State government to submit certain proposed or emergency regulations, work plans, and evaluation reports to the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review, the Department of Legislative Services, and the Administrator of the Division of State Documents; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0684 - Criminal Procedure - Victims' Rights - Notification of Release From Confinement (Jaycee Webster Victims' Rights Act)

Requiring a certain commitment unit to include in a notification given to a victim, victim's representative, or witness regarding the release from confinement of a sentenced defendant or child respondent the name and telephone number of the lead victim services employee of the State's Attorney's office of the county in which the sentenced defendant or child respondent was prosecuted.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0732 - Department of Disabilities - State Coordinator for Autism Strategy and Maryland Commission on Disabilities – Alterations

Transferring the State Coordinator for Autism Strategy to the Department of Disabilities; altering the staffing of the Advisory Stakeholder Group on Autism-Related Needs; and altering the membership of the Maryland Commission on Disabilities to add one individual with a traumatic brain injury.

Passed 45-0, McKay voted Yea.

SB0781 - Offshore Wind Energy - State Goals and Procurement (Promoting Offshore Wind Energy Resources Act)

Requiring an application for any new qualified offshore wind project and a certain proposal for an offshore wind transmission facility to be subject to a certain community benefit agreement; requiring the Public Service Commission to request that PJM Interconnection conduct a certain analysis of transmission system expansion options; exempting certain proposals from the requirement to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity; requiring the Commission to report by December 31, 2024, on its Supplier Diversity Program; etc.

Passed 33-12. McKay voted Nay.

SB0801 - Economic Development - Cybersecurity - Cyber Maryland Program

Establishing the Cyber Maryland Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to increase the cybersecurity workforce in the State, build an advanced cybersecurity workforce, and carry out other purposes related to the cybersecurity workforce in the State; establishing the Cyber Maryland Fund; establishing the Cyber Maryland Board; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission, in consultation with a certain organization, to expand the Cyber Warrior Diversity Program under certain circumstances; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0839 - Labor and Employment - Workers' Compensation – Hernia

Establishing that a hernia caused as a result of repetitive trauma may be considered an occupational disease and be compensable subject to certain provisions of the workers' compensation law.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0851 - Maryland General and Limited Power of Attorney Act - Alterations

Altering a certain statutory form for a general power of attorney by including certain provisions informing the principal and agent of certain matters, granting general authority with respect to tangible personal property and trusts and estates, authorizing the principal to grant the agent certain specific powers relating to successor agents, compensation, gifts or transfers, and opening joint accounts and beneficiary designations, and clarifying the force and effect of the form; etc.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0886 - Higher Education - Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program - Surviving Spouses of Service Members

Specifying that a certain surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces is eligible to apply for a scholarship under the Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program if the service member died, suffered a service-connected disability, or was declared to be a prisoner of war or missing in action under certain circumstances.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0913 - Education - Community Eligibility Provision Schools and Prekindergarten Enrollment and Funding - Alterations

Exempting certain schools from the requirement to collect a certain eligibility form if the school is in a local school system in which all schools participate in the community eligibility provision; altering the definition of "prekindergarten enrollment", beginning in a certain school year, to include certain Tier II children for certain funding purposes; altering the categories of certain Tier II children who are given priority for the expansion of prekindergarten slots; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0005 - Hate Crimes – Civil Remedy

Providing that a person who is the victim of an act that would constitute a violation of certain hate crime laws may bring a civil action against the person or persons who committed the act in a court of competent jurisdiction; and authorizing the court to impose an injunction and award certain economic and noneconomic damages.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0056 - Courts – Prohibited Indemnity and Defense Liability Agreements

Prohibiting a provision in a contract with a design professional for professional services that requires the design professional to defend certain parties against liability or certain claims.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0090 - Commercial Law - Consumer Protection - Telephone Solicitation (Stop the Spam Calls Act of 2023)

Prohibiting a person from making certain telephone solicitations to a certain called party in a certain manner by restricting the methods, times, and identifying information that the person making the call may utilize; and making a violation of the Act an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice that is subject to enforcement and penalties under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0097 - Courts - Jury Service - Disqualification

Providing that a person who has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment exceeding 1 year and is currently serving the sentence imposed for the conviction, including a term of parole or probation, or has been convicted of a crime involving or relating to perjury, witness intimidation, jury intimidation, or fraud or a related crime is not qualified for jury service.

Passed 29-16. McKay voted Yea.

SB0116 - Property Tax - Municipal Corporation Business Personal Property Tax Rate and Local Government Reporting Requirements - Alterations

Requiring 20% of certain State aid to be discontinued if a county, municipality, or special taxing district does not submit a certain audit report within 1 calendar year of a certain deadline for the report, subject to a certain condition; altering the municipal corporation tax rate applicable to business personal property and certain operating real property to be not more than a certain amount; and requiring the City of Seat Pleasant to hire a certain entity to perform a certain audit and submit the report by January 1, 2024.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0211 - Probation Before Judgment – Probation Agreements

Authorizing a court to stay the entering of a conviction, defer further proceedings, and place a certain defendant on probation subject to reasonable conditions if the court finds facts justifying a finding of guilt; authorizing the State and a certain defendant to enter into a probation agreement under certain circumstances; providing that the entry of a probation agreement under the Act shall be considered a probation before judgment for all other purposes under State law; etc.

Passed 41-4. McKay voted Yea.

SB0239 - State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program – Domestic Partnerships

Establishing that the terms "spouse", "family", "immediate family", "dependent", and any other terms that denote a spousal relationship shall be construed to include a party to a domestic partnership for purposes of the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; and establishing that the provisions of the Program that apply to spouses shall apply to parties who have entered into a domestic partnership.

Passed 41-4. McKay voted Yea.

SB0252 - Reckless and Negligent Driving - Penalties (Sherry's and Christian's Law)

Providing that a person charged with negligent driving must appear in court and may not prepay the fine if the negligent driving contributed to an accident that resulted in the death of another person; and establishing a penalty for a person convicted of a violation of the prohibition on reckless driving of imprisonment not exceeding 5 days or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or both.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0310 - Natural Resources - Black Bear Damage Mitigation Reimbursement Fund - Uses

Altering the Black Bear Damage Reimbursement Fund to authorize grants from the Fund to be made for projects that mitigate damages caused by black bears and reduce conflicts between black bears and humans; renaming the Black Bear Damage Reimbursement Fund to be the Black Bear Damage Mitigation Reimbursement Fund; increasing the maximum amount of reimbursement from the Fund per person annually authorized for damage caused by black bears to \$5,000; authorizing the Governor to include at least \$50,000 in the annual budget bill for the Fund; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0340 - Criminal Law - False Statements - Emergency or Commission of Crime (Antiswatting Act of 2023)

Prohibiting a person from making or causing to be made a false statement, report, or complaint to a governmental emergency report recipient with reckless disregard of causing bodily harm to an individual as a direct result of a response to the statement, report, or complaint; and providing that a person who violates the Act, in addition to any penalties imposed, is civilly liable to an individual harmed by the violation.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0411 - Prince George's County - Judges of the Orphans' Court - Compensation

Authorizing the County Executive and County Council of Prince George's County to determine the compensation for the judges of the Orphans' Court for Prince George's County.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0487 - Criminal Procedure - Violation of Pretrial or Posttrial Condition

Prohibiting a certain incarcerated person from violating a pretrial or posttrial condition prohibiting the person from contacting, harassing, or abusing an alleged victim or going in or near an alleged victim's residence or place of employment.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0493 - Commission to Study Trauma Center Funding in Maryland

Establishing the Commission to Study Trauma Center Funding in Maryland to study the adequacy of trauma center funding across the State for operating, capital, and workforce costs; and requiring the Commission to report its finding and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2023.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0501 - Libraries - Aging Infrastructure Improvement Grant Program – Established

Establishing the Aging Infrastructure Improvement Grant Program to be administered and developed by the State Library Agency to provide funds for public library systems to address the aging infrastructure needs identified in the 2022 Statewide Facilities Needs Assessment; requiring the State Library Agency, by October 1 each year, to make grant recommendations to the State Library Board; authorizing the Governor, in each of fiscal years 2024 to 2029, to include \$50,000,000 in the annual operating or capital budget for eligible projects; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0508 - Hemp Farming Program - Consumable Hemp Products

Authorizing a person to produce consumable hemp products for sale by the person; and requiring the person offering a consumable hemp product for sale to ensure that the consumable hemp product is tested by a State-authorized cannabis or hemp testing laboratory to ensure the consumable hemp product meets applicable safety standards and the tetrahydrocannabinol content of the consumable hemp product does not exceed 0.5 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol per serving or 2.5 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol per package.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0510 - Procurement – Minority Business Enterprises and Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprises – Participation Goal Scorecard

Requiring the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to develop a scorecard to evaluate units of State government on the units' performance toward meeting certain participation goals under the Minority Business Enterprise Program and the Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise Program; establishing a certain grading scale for the scorecard; and requiring grades achieved by each unit to be published each year on the Office's website.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0514 - Local Procurements - Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Programs - Certification

Requiring that a county or municipality that operates a minority business enterprise utilization program for county or municipal procurements and has a process for the certification of minority business enterprises shall accept as certified a person that holds a certification as a minority business enterprise by the State certification agency.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0518 – Tax Sales – Revisions

Authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to file a motion with a court to request that a certain certificate of sale be assigned to the governing body of the county or municipal corporation in a certain foreclosure action under certain circumstances; providing that, on a grant of the motion by the court, the holder of the certificate of sale forfeits certain rights and the amount paid to acquire the certificate of sale; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0521 - Charles County - Property Tax - Credit for Volunteer Emergency Responders

Authorizing the governing body of Charles County to grant, by law, a tax credit against the property tax imposed on the owner-occupied residence of certain emergency responders and their surviving spouses.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0555 - Fair Wage Act of 2023

Increasing the State minimum wage rate; repealing the authority of the Board of Public Works to temporarily suspend an increase in the minimum wage rate; and repealing the requirement that the Governor's budgets for certain fiscal years include certain provider rate increases.

Passed 31-14. McKay voted Nay.

SB0579 - Residential Property - Service Agreements - Prohibitions

Prohibiting certain service agreement for maintenance, purchase, or sale of residential property from containing certain provisions; and prohibiting the recordation of service agreements prohibited under the Act.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0610 - Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Education

Requiring a teacher preparation program to include certain training related to teaching in a virtual learning environment as a component of instruction; providing that a county board of education may authorize a county superintendent of schools, under certain circumstances, to provide virtual education days to students instead of closing the public schools in the county because of severe weather conditions; altering the requirements for virtual schools established by a county board of education; etc.

Passed 30-14. McKay voted Nay.

SB0622 - Medicaid Waiver Programs – Waitlist and Registry Reduction (End the Wait Act)

Requiring certain Medicaid funding to be used to provide community services to individuals waiting for services through certain waiver programs; authorizing certain Medicaid funding to be used for expanding provider capacity in certain waiver programs; and altering the uses of certain funding appropriated to the Dedicated Purpose Account in the fiscal year 2023 budget bill.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0222 - Environment - Reducing Packaging Materials - Producer Responsibility

Requiring, by April 1, 2026, and every 5 years thereafter, producers of certain packaging materials to individually or as part of a producer responsibility organization submit a producer responsibility plan to the Department of the Environment for review and approval in accordance with certain requirements; prohibiting, on or after a certain date, a producer of certain packaging materials from

selling or distributing the materials unless the producer has an approved producer responsibility plan on file with the Department; etc.

Passed 32-13. McKay voted Yea.

SB0546 -Criminal Procedure - Medical Emergency – Immunity

Altering certain provisions relating to immunity from criminal arrest, charge, or prosecution for a person experiencing a medical emergency after ingesting or using alcohol or drugs.

Passed 39-5. McKay voted Yea.

SB0626 - Health Services Cost Review Commission - Members – Appointment

Requiring that the members of the Health Services Cost Review Commission be appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate of Maryland.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0679 - Anne Arundel County - Speed Monitoring Systems - Residential Districts

Establishing that certain provisions of law authorizing the use of speed monitoring systems in certain residential districts apply in Anne Arundel County.

Passed 36-9. McKay voted Nay.

SB0708 - Public Health - Youth Camps, Development Organizations, and Programs - Criminal History Records Checks

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to apply to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository for criminal history records checks for certain youth camp applicants; requiring that the Department issue a certain written determination to a youth camp within 3 business days; repealing the authority of youth development organizations and programs to request from the Department a determination of whether the results of a criminal history records check would prohibit the hiring of a job applicant; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0742 - Vehicle Laws - Manufacturers and Dealers - Allocation of Vehicles

Requiring that any system operated by a vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch or its affiliate for allocating new vehicles to dealers be reasonable and fair.

Passed 44-1. McKay voted Yea.

SB0748 - Vehicle Laws - Military Vehicles - Registration and Operation

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to register certain military vehicles; providing for the registration classification of military vehicles; establishing certain standards and procedures for the registration of military vehicles; requiring an owner of a military vehicle to submit with the registration application a certain certification relating to the purposes for which the vehicle will be operated; etc.

Passed 43-2. McKay voted Yea.

SB0765 - Baltimore City - 41st District - Alcoholic Beverages – Licenses

Authorizing, for a certain period of time, the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to exchange a Class B-D-7 beer, wine, and liquor license in a certain area for a Class A-7 beer, wine, and liquor license under certain circumstances; and altering a certain period of time during which a certain alcoholic beverages license may be issued.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0789 - Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits - Preservation and Storage

Altering requirements for the storage and preservation of sexual assault evidence collection kits; requiring sexual assault evidence collection kits collected before January 1, 2000, to be retained and transferred in a certain manner; and requiring the Maryland Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Committee, on or before December 1, 2023, to issue a report to the Governor and the General Assembly making certain recommendations, in consultation with the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0791 - Primary and Secondary Education - Public School Employees - Job Duties

Altering the duties of an assistant principal on the career ladder; and providing that a requirement for a county board of education to select a certain teacher on the teacher leadership track of the career ladder to write certain curriculum and assessment plans is subject to a certain condition.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0866 - Special Vehicle Registration Plates - Chesapeake Bay Trust and Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation – Appropriation

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill beginning in fiscal year 2025 an appropriation for the Chesapeake Bay Trust and Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation, Inc. that is calculated based on the amount of revenue collected from certain special vehicle registration plates in certain fiscal years, adjusted for inflation.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0327 - Hunting, Wildlife Conservation, and Outdoor Recreation - Funding, Promotion, Management, Licenses, Permits, and Stamps

Altering the purpose of the Heritage Conservation Fund to include acquiring interests in land that can be used by the general public for hunting; establishing the Wildlife Conservation, Education, and Outreach Program to provide outreach and foster an interest in outdoor recreation and stewardship, hunting, and wildlife conservation; establishing a stamp for hunting sika deer; authorizing a nonresident attending a college or university in the State to purchase a resident hunting license; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0429 - Business Regulation - Home Improvement Commission - Guaranty Fund and Award Limits

Increasing the funding level of the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund that is administered by the Home Improvement Commission from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000; increasing a certain Fund threshold that determines whether a fee is assessed to each contractor; and increasing the limit, from \$100,000 to \$250,000, on the amount of money the Commission may award from the Fund to all claimants for the acts or omissions of a single contractor, subject to a certain reimbursement to the Fund.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0540 - Human Relations - Civil Rights Enforcement - Powers of the Attorney General

Authorizing the Attorney General to investigate, prosecute, and remediate certain civil rights violations under certain circumstances and in a certain manner; authorizing the Attorney General to intervene in certain causes of action under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties and authorizing the Attorney General to obtain certain relief in certain civil actions, conciliation agreements, and settlement agreements; authorizing the Attorney General to recover certain investigation and litigation costs in a certain manner; etc.

Passed 36-9. McKay voted Yea.

SB0581 - Behavioral Health Care Coordination Value-Based Purchasing Pilot Program

Establishing the Behavioral Health Value-Based Purchasing Pilot Program in the Maryland Department of Health to establish and implement an intensive care coordination model using value-based purchasing in the specialty behavioral health system; requiring the Governor, for fiscal years 2025 through 2027, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$600,000 for the Pilot Program; and requiring the Department to report by November 1, 2027 on the findings and recommendations from the Pilot Program.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0611 - Office of the Attorney General - Environmental and Natural Resources Crimes Unit – Establishment

Establishing the Environmental and Natural Resources Crimes Unit of the Office of the Attorney General to investigate and prosecute cases against persons that violate State criminal environmental and natural resources laws; requiring, by November 30 each year, the Unit to report to certain entities, the Governor, and the General Assembly on all the activities of the Unit and any actions taken by the Department of the Environment or the Department of Natural Resources in response to the findings and recommendations of the Unit; etc.

Passed 34-11. McKay voted Nay.

SB0624 - Income Tax - Automated External Defibrillator Tax Credit (Joe Sheya Act)

Allowing an individual or a business entity to claim a credit against the State income tax for the first \$500 of the purchase price of an automated external defibrillator purchased for use at a restaurant location in the State with annual gross income of at least \$400,000, subject to certain limitations; prohibiting the credit from being claimed more than once by an individual or business entity for each restaurant location; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022, but before January 1, 2028; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0641 - Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – City of Bowie Police Department – Transfers and Purchases of Service

Authorizing a transfer of service credit to, and a purchase of service credit in, the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for local law enforcement officers of the City of Bowie Police Department hired on or after January 1, 2007, and not later than December 31, 2015, under certain circumstances.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0692 - Income Tax - Credit for Purchase of Zero-Emission and Hybrid Mobile Machinery

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for the purchase of certain zero-emission and hybrid mobile machinery during taxable years 2024 through 2027 by certain eligible taxpayers for use in the taxpayers' businesses or for rental or lease to the general public; and requiring the Comptroller to report to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2027, on the utilization of the tax credit.

Passed 44-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0831 - Comprehensive Flood Management Grant Program - Environmental Justice Funding

Requiring at least 40% of funding provided under the comprehensive flood management grant program to be used for projects located in or directly benefitting underserved or overburdened communities; and authorizing the Governor to include in the annual State budget an appropriation of \$20,000,000 for the comprehensive flood management grant program in fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter.

Passed 36-6. McKay voted Yea.

SB0859 - Reproductive Health Protection Act

Prohibiting a judge from requiring a person to give certain testimony or a statement or to produce evidence in another state for a case involving an alleged violation of the criminal law of the other state relating to legally protected health care; requiring, subject to certain exceptions, that a request for a foreign subpoena include a sworn statement that the subpoena is not intended or anticipated to further an investigation or proceeding related to legally protected health care; etc.

Passed 33-11. McKay voted Nay.

SB0910 - Maryland Veterans Service Animal Program – Definitions – Therapy Horse

Altering the definition of a "therapy horse" under the Maryland Veterans Service Animal Program.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0928 - Insurance – Credit for Reinsurance Model Law – Reciprocal Jurisdictions

Prohibiting the Maryland Insurance Commissioner from removing from a certain list of reciprocal jurisdictions created and published by the Commissioner certain jurisdictions located outside the United States and certain jurisdictions in the United States that meet certain accreditation requirements.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0929 - Commissioner of Financial Regulation - Name and Organization of Office

Establishing the name of a certain office under the Commissioner of Financial Regulation in the Maryland Department of Labor as the Office of Financial Regulation; designating a certain appointee of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation as the Deputy Commissioner for Depository Activities; requiring the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to appoint a Deputy Commissioner for Non-Depository Activities; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0254 - Business Regulation - Charitable Organizations

Altering the definition of "charitable contribution" to exclude an authorization for or a discount on the use of certain services or materials, equipment, or facilities for purposes of provisions of law regulating charitable organizations and charitable representatives; and authorizing the Maryland Secretary of State to accept certain documentation in place of an audit or a review in connection with a charitable organization's registration statement.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0422 - Natural Resources - Black Bass Conservation Fund - Establishment

Establishing the Black Bass Conservation Fund in the Department of Natural Resources to further black bass management; requiring the Department to administer the Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; and requiring the Department to establish a process through which an individual who purchases a certain license online to make a voluntary donation to the Black Bass Conservation Fund.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0511 - Health and Human Services Transportation Improvement Act of 2023

Repealing the \$500,000 cap on the amount of grants that may be awarded by the Maryland Transit Administration under the Maryland Senior Rides Program; repealing the \$400,000 cap on funding for the Job Access and Reverse Commute Program; establishing the State Coordinating Committee for Health and Human Services Transportation to examine the transportation needs of residents of the State who are elderly, have a disability, or require transportation to access jobs, medical and other health-related appointments, and certain programs; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0537 - Gaming - Video Lottery Operation License - Renewal

Requiring that 2 years before the expiration of a certain term of a video lottery operation license the licensee file a notice of intent to file for renewal with the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission; requiring a video lottery operation licensee, within 1 year after filing a certain notice, to file an application to renew the license that includes a certain payment; and requiring the Commission to renew the license unless the Commission makes a certain finding.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0640 - Sales and Use Tax - Electricity for Agricultural Purposes - Exemption

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for the sale of electricity used for agricultural purposes under certain circumstances.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0760 - Security Guard Agencies, Security Guard Employers, and Security Guards – Standards and Certifications

Requiring an individual who provides security guard services to the individual's employer to be certified as a security guard; regulating certain security guard employers; altering the certification and renewal standards for security guards; requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to identify or establish certain training programs for the certification and renewal of certification of security guards; requiring security guards to complete certain security training programs; etc.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0286 - Department of Veterans Affairs - Burial in State Veterans' Cemeteries - Spouses and Dependents

Requiring the Department of Veterans Affairs to bury the eligible spouse or dependent of a veteran in a State veterans' cemetery without charge.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0356 - Transportation - Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport – Modification

Altering the membership and duties of the Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport to include the development and advancement of additional categories of projects; and increasing the amount in the annual budget for the State Department of Transportation designated by the State Secretary of Transportation for certain grants from \$1 to \$2 for every takeoff and landing of an aircraft that occurs at BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport for the most recent calendar year.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0476 - Recordation Tax - Indemnity Mortgage Exemption - Threshold Amount

Increasing the threshold amount for certain indemnity mortgage transactions that are exempt from the recordation tax from \$3,000,000 to \$12,500,000; and applying the Act to all instruments of writing recorded on or after July 1, 2024.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0542 - Public Safety - Emergency Management - Consumer Protections Against Price Gouging

Prohibiting a person from selling an essential good or service for more than a certain increase in price during and for a certain time after a certain state of emergency; and requiring the Secretary of State to establish an electronic notification system by which a person may register to receive notifications stating that a state of emergency has been declared and an executive order issued, that the provisions of the Act are in effect, and the categories of essential goods and services that are covered by the executive order.

Passed 36-9. McKay voted Nay.

SB0592 - Surplus Military Equipment Reporting - Extension

Requiring the Department of State Police to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before February 1 each year relating to the acquisition of equipment by law enforcement agencies through surplus programs; and requiring the Department of State Police to include on its public website in a prominent location a link to a certain report.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0643 - Housing - Community Development Program Act – Funding

Requiring the Administrator of a certain abandoned property fund to distribute \$5,000,000 to the Community Development Program Fund in fiscal years 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027; altering the contents of the Community Development Program Fund to include any money distributed from a certain abandoned property fund; and repealing a certain provision providing for the construction of certain Acts of the General Assembly concerning the Community Development Program Act.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0694 - Department of Natural Resources' Real Property - Exchange With Private Real Property
Authorizing the State to exchange real property owned by the State for the use and benefit of the Department of Natural Resources with private real property under certain circumstances.

Passed 45-0. McKay voted Yea.

SB0876 - Baltimore Regional Transit Commission – Establishment

Establishing the Baltimore Regional Transit Commission to review and comment on annual budget requests of the Maryland Transit Administration, updates to the Central Maryland Transportation Plan, and certain annual reports, and to perform other oversight and advocacy duties related to Baltimore region transit services; and requiring the Commission, by December 1 each year, to report its findings and recommendations on the Baltimore region transit systems to the Administration, the Governor, and the General Assembly.

Passed 34-11. McKay voted Nay.

