

2008 Maryland General Assembly Session

SENATE BILLS

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BILL NO.	ASSIGNED TO	BILL TITLE & SYNOPSIS & LAW AFFECTED	STATUS AS OF 5/29/08
<u>SB 4</u>	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Notary Public - Fees</p> <p>Increasing from \$2 to \$3 the maximum fee that the Secretary of State may establish by regulation for an original notarial act. EFFECTIVE 10/1/08.</p> <p>Affected Law: SG, § 18-112 – amended</p>	<p>2/20 Third Reading Passed (39-8)</p> <p>2/18 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>Favorable Report Adopted</p> <p>Second Reading Passed</p> <p>1/16 Hearing 1/24 at 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>1/9 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>6/27 Pre-filed</p>
<u>SB 17</u>	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Real Property – Foreclosures – Notices to Record Owners</p> <p>Altering the times by which specified notices of foreclosure are required to be sent to a record owner. EFFECTIVE 10/1/08.</p> <p>Affected Law: RP, § 7-105(a-1) and (b) - amended</p>	<p>3/21 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>1/23 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>1/9 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>8/22 Pre-filed</p>
<u>SB 27</u>	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Commercial Law – Abandoned Property – Notice to Apparent Owners</p> <p>Repealing a provision of law that requires the State Comptroller to cause notice relating to abandoned property to be published in specified newspapers of general circulation; requiring the State Comptroller to maintain an abandoned property database; requiring the Comptroller to add the names and last known addresses of presumed owners of abandoned property to the database within a specified time</p> <p>Affected Law: CL, § 17-311 - amended</p>	<p>1/29 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>1/10 Hearing 1/16 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>1/9 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>9/14 Pre-filed</p>
<u>SB 60</u> <u>(HB 1113)</u>	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Identity Fraud - Felony or Violations Involving Repeat Offender, Fiduciary, or Vulnerable Adult - Penalties</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 354</p>

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		<p>Increasing the penalty for a person who commits identity fraud where the benefit, credit, good, service, or other thing of value that is the subject of the offense has a value of \$500 or greater; increasing the penalty for a person who commits identity fraud under circumstances that reasonably indicate that the person's intent was to manufacture, distribute, or dispense another individual's personal identifying information without that individual's consent; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: CL § 8-301- amended</p>	<p>3/30 Senate Concur - House Amendments Third Reading Passed (44-0) Passed Enrolled</p> <p>2/29 Third Reading Passed (46-0)</p> <p>2/27 Favorable Report Adopted Second Reading Passed</p> <p>2/26 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>2/6 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>1/11 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 61 (HB 600)</p>	<p>Finance</p>	<p>Commission to Study the Title Insurance Industry in Maryland</p> <p>Establishing the Commission to Study the Title Insurance Industry in Maryland; providing for the membership, staffing, and purposes of the Commission; prohibiting Commission members from receiving compensation for serving on the Commission; requiring the Commission to make recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 15, 2009, on changes to State laws relating to the title insurance industry; etc. EFFECTIVE July 1, 2008</p> <p>Affected Law: None.</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 356</p> <p>4/2 Senate Concur - House Amendment Third Reading Passed (44-0) Passed Enrolled</p> <p>2/15 Third Reading Passed (45-0)</p> <p>2/13 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments</p> <p>2/12 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance</p> <p>1/11 First Reading Finance Hearing 1/17 at 1:00 p.m.</p>
<p>SB 69 (HB 221)</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Vehicle Laws - Motorcycles - Definition</p> <p>Altering the definition of "motorcycle" under the Maryland Vehicle Law; and making the Act an emergency measure.</p> <p>Affected Law: TR § 11-136 - amended</p>	<p>2/11 Withdrawn</p> <p>1/17 Hearing cancelled</p> <p>1/16 Hearing 1/22 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>1/14 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 79</p>	<p>Budget & Taxation</p>	<p>Credit Unions - Deposits of State and Local Government Money</p>	<p>2/11 Unfavorable Report by Budget and Taxation</p> <p>1/21 Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.</p>

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		<p>Authorizing specified local governmental units to deposit unexpended or surplus money in specified accounts at federally insured credit unions; requiring that specified collateral be given as security for deposits made in accounts at the credit unions; authorizing the local governmental units to make deposits in accounts at the credit unions without the specified collateral under specified circumstances; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: FP § 6-201, Article - 95 Treasurer (22-0 , 22)</p>	<p>1/14 First Reading Budget and Taxation</p>
<p>SB 94 (HB 1018)</p>	<p>Budget & Taxation</p>	<p>Prince George's County – Property Tax Credits – Agricultural Land Preservation Programs</p> <p>Authorizing the governing body of Prince George's County to grant a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on specified agricultural property; providing for the repayment of tax credits under specified circumstances; authorizing the governing body of Prince George's County to provide procedures and other provisions necessary to enforce the repayment of specified tax credits; etc. EFFECTIVE June 1, 2008</p> <p>Affected Law:</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 364 3/28 Returned Passed 3/19 Third Reading Passed (45-0) 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/14 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation 1/21 Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m. 1/16 First Reading Budget and Taxation</p>
<p>SB 95 (HB 939)</p>	<p>Education Health & Environmental Affairs</p>	<p>Maryland–National Capital Park & Planning Commission – Prince George's County Agricultural Preservation Easement Program</p> <p>Establishing the Prince George's County Agricultural Preservation Easement Program; providing for the purposes of the Program; requiring the Prince George's County Soil Conservation District to administer the Program subject to specified regulations; authorizing the Prince George's County Council to enact specified ordinances relating to agricultural preservation; etc.</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 366 4/2 Returned Passed 3/31 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs 3/28 Third Reading Passed (46-0) 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 1/23 Hearing 2/7 at 1:00 p.m. 1/16 First Reading Education Health and</p>

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			Environmental Affairs
SB 113 (HB 791)	Budget and Taxation	Homestead Property Tax Credit - Applications - Use of Social Security Numbers Prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from requiring homeowner Social Security numbers on applications for qualification for the homestead property tax credit; etc.	3/12 Unfavorable Report by Budget and Taxation 1/21 Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m. 1/17 First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB 116 (HB 444)	Judicial Proceedings	Criminal Law - Mail Theft - Penalty Prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully removing, taking, possessing, obtaining, or receiving mail under specified circumstances without the permission of the United States Postal Service or the intended recipient; providing penalties for a violation of the Act; repealing a provision that prohibits opening a letter without permission, that is rendered inconsistent with the Act; etc. Law Affected: CL §§ 3-905 , 7-106.1	2/26 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings 2/6 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. 1/17 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 196	Finance	State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers and Home Inspectors - Home Inspectors - Licensing, Disclosure, and Insurance Requirements Altering specified licensing requirements for a home inspector licensed by the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers and Home Inspectors; requiring home inspectors to provide specified credentials and a specified disclosure prior to performing an inspection; requiring home inspectors to maintain specified amounts of general liability insurance; etc. Law Affected: BOC §§ 16-3A-07, 16-3A-05, 16-3A-03, 16-4A-04, 16-4A-01, 16-701.1	4/24 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 160 4/2 Returned Passed 2/27 Third Reading Passed (47-0) 2/25 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 1/24 Hearing 2/7 at 1:00 p.m. 1/18 First Reading Finance
SB 216 (HB 365)	Judicial Proceedings	Real Property - Recordation of Instruments Securing Mortgage	4/3 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 1 3/29 Senate Concur - House

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		<p>Loans and Foreclosure of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Residential Property</p> <p>Prohibiting an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential property from being filed until 90 days after default and 45 days after a notice of intent to foreclose is sent, except under specified circumstances; requiring personal service of an order to docket or a complaint to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential property; prohibiting a foreclosure sale of residential property from occurring until 45 days after service; requiring one publication of notice of a foreclosure sale; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: RP, §§ 3-104(h) and 7-105.1 - added and § 7-105 - amended</p>	<p>Amendments Third Reading Passed (47-0) Passed Enrolled 3/19 Third Reading Passed (45-0) 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 1/23 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m. 1/18 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 217 (HB 360)</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Real Property - Maryland Mortgage Fraud Protection Act</p> <p>Prohibiting a person from committing mortgage fraud; authorizing the Attorney General or the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to seek an injunction to prohibit a violation of the Act; authorizing the Attorney General and the State's Attorney to conduct the criminal investigation and prosecution of mortgage fraud under the Act; authorizing a private right of action for a violation of the Act; imposing specified penalties for a violation of the Act; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: RP, §§ 7-401 through 7-409 – added</p>	<p>4/3 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 3 3/30 Returned Passed 3/19 Third Reading Passed (45-0) 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 1/23 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m. 1/18 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 218 (HB 361)</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Protection of Homeowners in Foreclosure - Prohibition on Foreclosure Rescue Transactions - Enforcement</p> <p>Altering the applicability of specified provisions relating to the protection of homeowners in foreclosure; altering the contents of a foreclosure consulting contract; prohibiting a foreclosure consultant from engaging in or arranging a foreclosure rescue transaction or receiving a commission or money under</p>	<p>4/3 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 5 3/31 Returned Passed 3/19 Third Reading Passed (46-0) 3/17 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted</p>

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		<p>specified circumstances; requiring a foreclosure consultant to be licensed as a real estate broker and to provide research on the value of a home to a homeowner; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: RP and CL, Various Sections - amended and added</p>	<p>Second Reading Passed with Amendments 1/23 Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m. 1/18 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 220 (HB 564)</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Identity Fraud - Prohibition of Unauthorized Skimming and Re-Encoding Devices</p> <p>Prohibiting the unauthorized possession of devices known as re-encoders and skimmers to access, read, record, or otherwise obtain a payment device number or personal identifying information; prohibiting a person from using, in a specified manner, re-encoder devices and skimming devices for specified purposes; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: CR, § 8-301 - amended</p>	<p>2/29 Third Reading Passed (46-0) 2/27 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 2/26 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings 2/6 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. 1/22 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 239 (HB 1256)</p>	<p>Budget & Taxation</p>	<p>Homestead Property Tax Credit</p> <p>Repealing a requirement for homeowners to file applications to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to qualify for the homestead property tax credit; repealing provisions relating to the application requirement; etc.</p> <p>Law Affected: TP, §§ 9-105, 9-105</p>	<p>3/17 Third Reading Passed (42-4) 3/13 Favorable with Amendments Committee Amendment Adopted Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted (41-4) Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/12 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation 1/23 First Reading Budget and Taxation Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.</p>
<p>SB 270 (HB 363)</p>	<p>Finance</p>	<p>Credit Regulation - Mortgage Lending and Other Extensions of Credit</p> <p>Prohibiting a lender from requiring or authorizing the imposition of prepayment charges in connection with specified subprime loans; prohibiting lenders and credit grantors from making specified mortgage loans without giving due regard to the borrower's ability to repay the loans; requiring a specified</p>	<p>4/8 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 7 3/30 Senate Concur - House Amendments Third Reading Passed (46-0) Passed Enrolled 3/17 Third Reading Passed (46-0) 3/13 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted</p>

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		<p>representation by a mortgage broker to be contained in a finder's fee agreement; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: CL and FI, Various Sections - added and amended</p>	<p>3/10 Second Reading Passed with Amendments Favorable with Amendments Special Order 3/13 (Senator Jones) Adopted</p> <p>3/7 Favorable with Amendments Special Order 3/10 (Senator Jones) Adopted</p> <p>3/6 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance</p> <p>1/25 First Reading Finance</p> <p>1/24 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.</p>
<p>SB 300 (HB 669)</p>	<p>Budget & Taxation</p>	<p>Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - Exemption for Returning Military Members</p> <p>Expanding the eligibility for a specified motor vehicle excise tax credit to include a member of the military who returns to Maryland from active duty and, within 1 year, applies for titling and registration of a vehicle previously titled and registered in another state.</p> <p>Affected Law: T., § 13-809</p>	<p>2/14 Third Reading Passed (46-0)</p> <p>2/12 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments</p> <p>2/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation</p> <p>1/28 Hearing 2/6 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>1/25 First Reading Budget and Taxation</p>
<p>SB 313 (HB 647)</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Real Property - Construction Contracts - Retention Proceeds</p> <p>Providing that retention proceeds may not exceed a specified percentage of contracts or payments under specified circumstances; providing that retention proceeds may exceed a specified percentage of payments if contractors reasonably determine that the performance of subcontractors provides reasonable grounds for withholding specified amounts; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: R.P., §§ 9-304, 9-304</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 390</p> <p>4/2 Returned Passed</p> <p>3/19 Third Reading Passed (28-18)</p> <p>3/17 Floor Amendment (Senator Kramer) Adopted (29-16)</p> <p>3/14 Favorable Report Adopted Floor Amendment (Senator Kramer) Laid Over (Senator DeGrange) Adopted</p> <p>3/12 Favorable Special Order 3/14 (Senator Astle) Adopted</p> <p>3/11 Favorable Report by Judicial</p>

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			Proceedings Second Reading Passed with Amendments 2/6 Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m. 1/28 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 327 (HB 1107)	Judicial Proceedings	Identity Fraud - Personal and Business Documents and Cardholder Affidavits - Evidence Providing that specified personal and business documents are admissible as evidence and presumed to be authentic if the account holder testifies as to their authenticity in any judicial or administrative proceeding; and authorizing, in a criminal case or juvenile proceeding involving identity fraud, the introduction of the affidavit of a lawful credit cardholder as substantive evidence that the credit card or credit card number of the credit cardholder was taken, used, or possessed without authorization. Affected Law: CL, § 24-101 - added and CR, § 8-214.1 - amended	3/14 Third Reading Passed (45-0) 3/12 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/11 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings 2/6 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. 1/28 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 337 (HB 311)	Judicial Proceedings	Legal Advertisement or Legal Notice - Newspaper Altering the definition of specified terms concerning publishing a legal advertisement or legal notice to repeal requirements that a "newspaper" or similar publication containing the legal advertisement or legal notice be distributed by sale and be eligible to be entered as second-class matter in the United States mail; etc. Affected Law: Article - 1 Rules of Interpretation 28	3/6 Withdrawn 2/28 Hearing cancelled 2/6 Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m. 1/28 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 347 (HB 852)	Finance	Credit Regulation - Credit Grantor Provisions - Fees, Charges, and Penalties Clarifying that specified fees may be collected by a credit grantor at any time; providing that specified penalties do not apply for specified acts or omissions arising from conformity to	4/8 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 34 3/21 Returned Passed 3/13 Third Reading Passed (34-10) 3/11 Favorable Report Adopted Floor Amendment (Senator Della)

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		<p>or reliance on specified opinions, interpretations, or approvals by specified persons under specified circumstances; providing that specified provisions of the Act may not be construed to limit specified penalties or limit specified powers of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation or the courts under specified circumstances; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: CL, §§ 12-905(b), 12-1005(d), and 12-1009(e) - amended and §§ 12-918.1 and 12-1018.1 - added</p>	<p>Rejected (16-26) Floor Amendment (Senator Della) Rejected (12-32) Second Reading Passed 3/7 Favorable Special Order 3/11 (Senator Colburn) Adopted 3/6 Favorable Report by Finance 1/30 Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m. 1/28 First Reading Finance</p>
SB 360	Finance	<p>Credit Regulation - Inquiries about Consumer Reports - Credit Score Calculation</p> <p>Prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from considering any inquiries made about a consumer's consumer report in the calculation of a consumer's credit score.</p> <p>Affected Law: CL, § 14-1203.1 – added</p>	<p>2/25 Withdrawn 1/30 First Reading Finance Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.</p>
SB 372	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Vehicle Laws - Motorcycle - Definition</p> <p>Altering the definition of "motorcycle" in the Maryland Vehicle Law to include a motor vehicle that has two front wheels positioned on a single front axle and one rear wheel; and making clarifying and conforming changes.</p> <p>Law Affected: TR, § 11-136 - amended</p>	<p>3/10 Withdrawn 2/26 Hearing cancelled 2/6 Hearing 2/28 at 1:00 p.m. 1/30 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
SB 389	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Foreclosure - Residential Property - Trustee Commissions and Attorney's Fees</p> <p>Providing that, in specified foreclosure actions, the court may only approve a trustee commission and attorney's fees that the court finds reasonable after considering specified factors; prohibiting the court from approving a trustee commission exceeding \$500 or attorney's fees exceeding \$800; etc.</p>	<p>1/30 First Reading Judicial Proceedings Hearing 2/5 at 1:00 p.m.</p>

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		<p>Affected Law: RP, § 7-105.1 - added</p>	
<p>SB 403 (HB 642)</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Courts - Jury Trials in Civil Actions - Amount in Controversy</p> <p>Increasing from \$10,000 to \$20,000, the maximum amount in controversy in a civil action in which a party may not demand a jury trial; providing for the construction and application of the Act; and making the Act contingent on the passage and ratification of a specified Constitutional Amendment.</p> <p>Affected Law: CJ, § 4-402(e)(1) - amended</p>	<p>3/23 Third Reading Passed (24-23) 3/21 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings Favorable with Amendments Committee Amendment Adopted Special Order 3/24 (Senator Astle) Adopted Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 2/6 Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m. 1/31 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 404 (HB 644)</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Civil Jury Trials - Amount in Controversy</p> <p>Increasing from more than \$10,000 to more than \$20,000, the amount in controversy in civil proceedings in which the right to a trial by jury may be limited by legislation; and submitting the Constitutional amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection</p> <p>Affected Law: Maryland Constitution, Declaration of Rights, Arts. 5(a) and 23 - amended</p>	<p>3/23 Third Reading Failed (28-19) Motion Reconsider Third Reading Failed (Senator Zirkin) Adopted (30-17) 3/21 Third Reading Failed (28-19) Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings Favorable with Amendments Special Order 3/24 (Senator Astle) Adopted Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 2/6 Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m. 1/31 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 406</p>	<p>Budget & Taxation</p>	<p>Tax Sales - Notice Prior to Action to Foreclose Right of Redemption</p> <p>Providing that an action to foreclose the right of redemption for</p>	<p>3/14 Withdrawn 2/6 Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m. 1/31 First Reading Budget and Taxation</p>

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		<p>property sold at a tax sale may not be brought until at least 3 months after a specified notice is provided to the owner or other specified persons in a specified manner; specifying exceptions; providing that expenses incurred in an action to foreclose the right of redemption may only be reimbursed under specified circumstances; altering specified fees; applying the Act to specified certificates of sale; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: TP, §§ 14-833(a) and 14-843 - amended</p>	
<p>SB 437 (HB 1311)</p>	<p>Education Health & Environmental Affairs</p>	<p>State Designations – Walking As The State Exercise</p> <p>Designating walking as the State exercise.</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 400 4/5 Returned Passed 3/24 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs 3/23 Third Reading Passed (36-8) 1/31 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs 3/21 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 2/26 Hearing cancelled Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m. 2/13 Hearing 2/29 at 1:00 p.m.</p>
<p>SB 478 (HB 1276)</p>	<p>Budget & Taxation</p>	<p>Property Tax - Tax Sales</p> <p>Altering a provision allowing a property tax collector to withhold property from a tax sale when the total taxes on the property amount to less than a specified amount; including Montgomery County within a provision of law limiting the right of specified persons to be reimbursed for specified expenses relating to the foreclosure of a right of redemption within a specified period following a tax sale; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: T.P., §§ 14-811 , 14-843 , 14-843</p>	<p>3/12 Withdrawn 3/10 Hearing cancelled 2/27 Hearing 3/11 at 3:30 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation</p>

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SB 493	Budget & Taxation	<p>Lawyers – Payment of Taxes & Unemployment Insurance Contributions</p> <p>Repealing a requirement that the Client Protection Fund verify that a lawyer has paid or provided for payment of all undisputed taxes and unemployment insurance contributions before accepting an annual fee from the lawyer; requiring the Fund to provide a specified list of lawyers to the Comptroller; authorizing the Comptroller to refer the matter to Bar Counsel if a lawyer does not make payment or provide for payment within a specified time after receiving notice of a delinquency from the Comptroller; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2008</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 410</p> <p>4/4 Returned Passed</p> <p>3/23 Third Reading Passed (46-1)</p> <p>3/21 Favorable Report by Budget and Taxation</p> <p>Favorable Report Adopted</p> <p>Second Reading Passed</p> <p>2/27 Hearing 3/12 at 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation</p>
SB 495	Budget & Taxation	<p>Homestead Property Tax Credit – Farm Or Agricultural Use Land</p> <p>Expanding the definition of a dwelling that qualifies for the homestead property tax credit to include specified homes that are located on parcels of land that are recognized by the Department of Assessments and Taxation to be actively used for farm or agricultural purposes; providing for exceptions if the dwelling is not occupied for the required time period; providing that a homeowner may claim a homestead property tax credit for two dwellings under specified circumstances; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: TP, § 9-105(a)(2), (c)(2) and (3), and (d)(2) and (3) - amended</p>	<p>2/20 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation</p>

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SB 500 (HB 867)	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Crimes - Financial Exploitation of Elderly - Penalty</p> <p>Prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully obtaining by deception, intimidation, or undue influence the property of an individual of at least a specified age, regardless of whether the person knows or reasonably should know the age of the individual, with intent to deprive the individual of the individual's property.</p> <p>Affected Law: C.L., § 8-801</p>	3/24 Unfavorable Report by Judicial Proceedings 2/6 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 532 (HB 1035)	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Prince George's County - Foreclosure - Subprime Mortgages - Moratorium</p> <p>Prohibiting a creditor from maintaining suit in an action to foreclose a deceptive subprime mortgage on residential real property in Prince George's County; establishing that a creditor may be liable for specified damages if the creditor fails to show to the satisfaction of the court that the mortgage is not a deceptive subprime mortgage; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: None.</p>	2/6 Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 534	Budget & Taxation	<p>Valuation of Real Property - Completed Improvements</p> <p>Altering a requirement that real property shall be revalued when specified improvements are made; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: T.P., §§ 8-104, 8-104.</p>	2/27 Hearing 3/11 at 3:30 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB 535 (HB 1398)	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Foreclosure - Subprime Mortgages - Moratorium</p> <p>Prohibiting a creditor from maintaining suit in an action to foreclose a mortgage entered into by a homeowner unless the creditor shows to the satisfaction of the court that the mortgage is not a deceptive subprime mortgage; providing that a creditor may be liable for specified damages if the creditor fails to make the showing; etc.</p>	2/6 Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings

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		Affected Law: None.	
SB 548 (HB 154)	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Real Estate Investment Trusts - Definition and Share Information</p> <p>Altering the definition of "real estate investment trust" to clarify that the term means an unincorporated "business" trust or association formed under specified provisions of law; requiring a real estate investment trust, on request of the shareholder, to send without charge a written statement containing specified information for shares issued without certificates; etc. EFFECTIVE June 1, 2008</p> <p>Affected Law: CA, §§ 8-101, 8-203</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 418</p> <p>3/30 Returned Passed</p> <p>3/7 Third Reading Passed (45-0)</p> <p>3/5 Favorable Report Adopted</p> <p>3/4 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>2/6 Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
SB 556 (HB 728)	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Corporations - Objecting Stockholders - Right to Fair Value of Stock</p> <p>Altering the circumstances under which a stockholder of a Maryland corporation who objects to specified transactions may demand and receive the fair value of the stockholder's stock; authorizing a stockholder to demand the fair value of stock listed on a national securities exchange under specified circumstances; altering the definition of "beneficial owner" under the Maryland Business Combination Act to exclude, under specified circumstances, a person that holds a revocable proxy from a stockholder; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: CA, §§ 3-201, 3-202(c), and 3-601(d) - amended and § 3-202(d) and (e) - added</p>	<p>4/24 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 191</p> <p>3/31 Senate Concur - House Amendment</p> <p>Third Reading Passed (47-0)</p> <p>Passed Enrolled</p> <p>3/7 Third Reading Passed (45-0)</p> <p>3/5 Favorable Report Adopted</p> <p>3/4 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>2/6 Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.</p>
SB 557 (HB 589)	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Lead Poisoning Prevention Act Of 2008</p> <p>Requiring a specified application form for a contractor license to require specified lead paint abatement accreditation number and accreditation expiration date if the applicant provides specified lead paint abatement services; requiring a specified licensee applying for a license renewal to submit to the Maryland Home Improvement Commission a specified lead paint abatement accreditation number and expiration date if</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 420</p> <p>3/28 Returned Passed</p> <p>3/13 Third Reading Passed (45-0)</p> <p>3/11 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted</p> <p>Second Reading Passed with Amendments</p> <p>3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report</p>

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		the licensee performs specified lead paint abatement services; etc.	2/6 2/1	by Judicial Proceedings Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m. First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 559 (HB 260)	Budget & Taxation	<p>Recordation Tax - Indemnity Mortgages</p> <p>Providing that, for purposes of the recordation tax, secured debt with respect to an indemnity mortgage, deeds of trust, or other security interests in real property securing a guarantee of repayment of a loan for which the guarantor is not primarily liable is deemed to be incurred as debt is incurred on the guaranteed loan and the recordation tax applies as if the guarantor were primarily liable for the guaranteed loan; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: TP, § 12-105(f) – amended</p>	2/20 2/1	Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m. First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB 561 (HB 676)	Budget & Taxation	<p>County Property Taxes - Classes of Property and Special Rates</p> <p>Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to impose property tax on those classes of property that it selects to be subject to property tax; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to set special rates for any class of property that is subject to the county property tax; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: TP, § 6-202 - repealed and §§ 6-203 and 6-302 - amended</p>	3/6 2/27 2/1	Hearing cancelled Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m. Hearing 3/13 at 3:30 p.m. First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB 568 (HB 1167)	Judicial Proceedings	<p>Motor Vehicles - Certificates of Title - Rebuilt Salvage</p> <p>Requiring that a certificate of title to a vehicle contain a conspicuous notation that the vehicle is "rebuilt salvage" whenever an insurance company's application for a salvage certificate for the vehicle contains a statement that the cost to repair the vehicle for highway operation was equal to or less than its fair market value prior to its sustaining damage.</p> <p>Affected Law: TR, § 13-507 - amended</p>	5/13 4/4 3/22 3/21	Approved by the Governor - Chapter 422 Senate Concur - House Amendments Third Reading Passed (47-0) Passed Enrolled Third Reading Passed (47-0) Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings Favorable Report Adopted

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			Second Reading Passed 2/6 Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 594	Finance	Credit Regulation - Mortgage Lending - Prepayment Penalties Prohibiting a lender from requiring or authorizing the imposition of a prepayment penalty, fee, premium, or other charge in connection with specified subprime loans; etc. Affected Law: CL, § 12-105 - amended	3/10 Withdrawn 2/6 Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Finance
SB 597 (HB 746)	Budget & Taxation	Recordation and Transfer Taxes - Exemptions - Domestic Partners Exempting from recordation tax and State and county transfer taxes instruments of writing transferring property between domestic partners and former domestic partners under specified circumstances; requiring the submission of specified evidence to qualify for specified exemptions; etc. Affected Law: TP, § 12-101(e-1) through (e-5) - added and §§ 12-108(c) and (d), 13-207(a)(2) and (3), and 13-403 - amended	5/22 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 599 4/4 Senate Concur - House Amendments (29-18) Third Reading Passed (27-20) Passed Enrolled 3/22 Third Reading Passed (26-21) 3/21 Favorable with Amendments Committee Amendment Adopted Special Order later today (Senator Kramer) Adopted Favorable Special Order 3/24 (Senator Mooney) Adopted (24-22) Motion Reconsider previous Special Order until 3/24 (Senator McFadden) Rejected (20-27) Favorable Motion limit debate (Senator Kasemeyer) Adopted (29-18) Favorable Report Adopted (28-18) Floor Amendment (Senator Harris) Adopted Floor Amendment (Senator Kramer) Motion Special Order 3/24 (Senator Brinkley) Rejected (20-26)

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			Floor Amendment (Senator Kramer) Adopted (43-1) Floor Amendment (Senator Mooney) Rejected (16-30) Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/20 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation Favorable with Amendments Laid Over (Senator Harris) Adopted 2/20 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB 618	Budget & Taxation	Property Tax - Homeowners' Property Tax Credit and Renters' Property Tax Relief Altering the eligibility requirements for renters' property tax relief; altering the computation of specified property tax relief and credits; altering the maximum amount of specified property tax relief provided to specified renters; altering the minimum amount of specified property tax relief and credits which may be granted; etc. Affected Law: TP, §§ 9-102(a)(9), (h), and (i) and 9-104(h) and (k)(2) - amended	3/13 Hearing cancelled 3/6 Hearing cancelled Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m. 2/27 Hearing 3/13 at 3:30 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB 663 (HB 1357)	Judicial Proceedings	Power of Attorney Accountability Act (Lorretta's Law) Establishing specified duties of an agent under a power of attorney; requiring an agent to disclose receipts, disbursements, or transactions if ordered by a court or requested by specified persons; establishing that an agent that violates specified provisions is liable for specified amounts; requiring that a power of attorney executed in this State contain a notice of the agent's duties; authorizing specified persons to petition a court to construe a power of attorney or review the agent's conduct; etc. Affected Law: ET, §§ 13-604 through 13-606 - added	2/6 Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 688	Judicial	Foreclosures - Unpaid Water and Sanitary Charges - Prohibition	2/6 Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.

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	Proceedings	Prohibiting the forced sale or foreclosure of a property due to unpaid water, sewer, or other sanitary system bills; and repealing provisions rendered inconsistent with the Act. Affected Law: RP, § 14-130 - added and EN, §§ 9-658, 9-662, 9-679, and 9-724 - amended	2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 718	Judicial Proceedings	Lead Risk Reduction – Acquisition Of Property –Compliance Requirements Authorizing a person who intends to acquire a property that is considered to be affected under specified lead risk reduction provisions to submit a compliance plan to the Department of the Environment; requiring a person who has acquired, or will acquire, an affected property to give specified notice and information at a specified time; establishing a process and fee for submitting an application for a compliance plan; etc.	5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 444 3/31 Returned Passed 3/13 Third Reading Passed (44-0) 3/11 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/10 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings 2/6 Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings
SB 760	Budget & Taxation	Homestead Property Tax - Residence of Homeowner's Family Member Altering the definition of a dwelling that qualifies for the homestead property tax credit to include specified homes that are the only residence of a family member of the homeowner; providing that a dwelling must be occupied by a specified day to qualify for the homestead property tax credit; providing that a homeowner may claim a homestead property tax credit for two dwellings under specified circumstances; etc. Affected Law: TP, § 9-105(a)(2), (c)(2) and (3), and (d)(2) and (3) - amended	4/24 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 210 4/4 Senate Concur - House Amendment Third Reading Passed (47-0) Passed Enrolled 3/23 Third Reading Passed (47-0) 3/22 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/21 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation 2/20 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation
SB 761 (HB 1251)	Budget & Taxation	Homeowner's Property Tax Credit - Cost-of-Living Adjustment	2/20 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m. 2/1 First Reading Budget and Taxation

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		<p>Altering the computation of the homeowner's property tax credit for all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2009, based on a specified cost-of-living adjustment percentage; requiring the Department of Assessments and Taxation to determine the cost-of-living adjustment percentage by October 1 each year based on the increase in a specified consumer price index for a specified period; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: TP, § 9-104(a)(13), (h), and (k) - amended</p>	
<p>SB 762 (HB 1316)</p>	<p>Education Health & Environmental Affairs</p>	<p>Real Estate Brokers - Record Keeping</p> <p>Requiring a real estate broker to retain specified records for a specified period of time; authorizing a broker to store records in a specified manner under specified circumstances; and requiring a real estate broker to make specified records available to the State Real Estate Commission.</p> <p>Affected Law: BOP, § 17-507 - amended</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 449</p> <p>4/2 Returned Passed</p> <p>3/21 Third Reading Passed (47-0)</p> <p>3/19 Favorable with Amendments Report by Education Health and Environmental Affairs Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments</p> <p>2/20 Hearing 3/6 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>2/1 First Reading Education Health and Environmental Affairs</p>
<p>SB 771</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Estates and Trusts - Personal Representatives and Fiduciaries - Powers</p> <p>Authorizing a personal representative to become a limited partner in any partnership or a member in any limited liability company, including a single member limited liability company; and authorizing a fiduciary to continue as or become a member in any limited liability company, including a single member limited liability company.</p> <p>Affected Law: ET, §§ 7-401(u) and 15-102(q) – amended</p>	<p>3/6 Third Reading Passed (47-0)</p> <p>3/4 Favorable Report Adopted Second Reading Passed</p> <p>3/3 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings</p> <p>2/6 Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>2/1 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>
<p>SB 790</p>	<p>Judicial Proceedings</p>	<p>Vehicle Laws - Titling and Electronic Transmission of Certificates of Title - Off-Highway Recreational Vehicles</p> <p>Defining "off-highway recreational vehicle"; requiring an</p>	<p>2/6 Hearing 2/28 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>2/5 First Reading Judicial Proceedings</p>

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		<p>application for a certificate of title for an off-highway recreational vehicle to be made by electronic transmission; altering requirements relating to the electronic transmission of vehicle data to authorize transmission by a service provider instead of a licensed dealer; providing that an off-highway recreational vehicle is not required to be inspected when ownership is transferred; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: T, §§ 11-140.1, 13-101.1, 13-104, 13-108.1, 13-808, 13-809, 23-106</p>		
SB 825	Senate Rules	<p>Credit Regulation - Terms Relating to Prepayment Charges and Penalties and Class Actions</p> <p>Prohibiting specified loan contracts, instruments that evidence or secure specified loans and agreements, notes, or other evidence of specified loans from including a provision that prohibits a borrower from joining a class action brought in connection with a violation of specified provisions of law relating to prepayment charges and penalties.</p> <p>Affected Law: CL, §§ 12-111.1 and 12-1019.1 - added and § 12-409 – amended</p>	3/5 2/14 2/8	Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. Re-referred Finance First Reading Senate Rules
SB 827	Senate Rules	<p>Commercial Law - Prepayment Charges - Actions</p> <p>Providing that an action for a violation of specified provisions of law prohibiting prepayment charges from being imposed on specified consumer borrowers may not be brought more than 3 years after the prepayment charges are imposed; etc.</p> <p>Law Affected: CL, § 12-1019 - amended</p>	3/5 2/14 2/8	Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. Re-referred Finance First Reading Senate Rules
SB 871 (HB 788)	Senate Rules	<p>Real Property Assessments - Market Declines - Revaluation</p> <p>Requiring real property to be revalued outside of the triennial assessment cycle if a decline in the median price for homes in the county where the real property is located causes a change in the value of the property; etc.</p>	3/6 3/3 2/18 2/13	Hearing cancelled Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m. Hearing 3/13 at 3:30 p.m. Re-referred Budget and Taxation First Reading Senate Rules

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		Affected Law: TP, § 8-104(c) - amended	
SB 874 (HB 682)	Senate Rules	Condominiums and Homeowners Associations - Foreclosures - Imposition of and Liability for Liens Providing that a grantee that obtains title to a condominium unit, or to a lot in a homeowners association, in a foreclosure sale is jointly and severally liable with the unit owner, or the lot owner, for up to 6 months of assessments under a lien imposed for assessments due; authorizing the governing body of a homeowners association to impose a lien under the Maryland Contract Lien Act to enforce the payment of assessments and charges due; etc. Affected Law: RP, §§ 11-110(c) and (d) and 14-201(b) - amended and § 11B-112.2 - added	2/22 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. 2/14 First Reading Senate Rules
SB 875 (HB 901)	Senate Rules	Real Property - Payment of Interest After Foreclosure Sale - Garrett County Providing that, in Garrett County, the interest provided in a mortgage or note secured by a deed of trust is payable for 60 days following a foreclosure sale or until the audit of the sale is ratified, whichever occurs first; etc. Affected Law: RP, § 7-105(d) - amended	5/22 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 628 4/5 Returned Passed 3/31 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings 3/30 Third Reading Passed (46-0) 3/29 Favorable Report Adopted Second Reading Passed 2/22 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. 2/14 First Reading Senate Rules
SB 911 (HB 1555)	Budget & Taxation	Baltimore City Land Bank Authority Authorizing Baltimore City to establish a land bank authority by ordinance; requiring an ordinance establishing an authority to include specified articles of incorporation; requiring specified articles of incorporation to be filed, accepted, and amended in a specified manner; authorizing Baltimore City to take specified actions by ordinance; providing for the disposition of property and obligations of the authority on termination; etc.	5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 468 4/2 Returned Passed 3/31 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation 3/28 Third Reading Passed (45-0) 3/26 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Floor Amendment (Senator Brinkley) Adopted

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		Affected Law:	Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/5 Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m. 3/3 Re-referred Budget and Taxation 2/20 First Reading Senate Rules
SB 924 (HB 1570)	Senate Rules	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - Leased Vehicles - Residual Value Prohibiting a lessor from passing on to the lessee the portion of the motor vehicle excise tax paid by the lessor on the residual value of a leased vehicle; providing that a lessor is entitled to a refund of the portion of the motor vehicle excise tax paid by the lessor on the residual value of a leased vehicle; requiring a lessor to apply to the Motor Vehicle Administration on a specified form in order to obtain a refund; and defining terms. Affected Law: T, § 13-809.1	5/22 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 633 4/2 Returned Passed 3/22 Third Reading Passed (47-0) 3/20 Favorable with Amendments Report by Budget and Taxation Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments 3/10 Hearing cancelled Hearing 3/13 at 1:00 p.m. 3/5 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. 3/3 Re-referred Budget and Taxation 2/20 First Reading Senate Rules
SB 932 (HB 1564)	Senate Rules	Real Property - Talbot County - Recordation of County Right-of-Way Plats Including Talbot County in the provisions of law in which the clerks of the circuit courts for specified counties are required to receive, index, and file county right-of-way plats. Affected Law: RP, § 3-109.1	3/24 Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings 3/23 Third Reading Passed (47-0) 3/21 Favorable Report Adopted Second Reading Passed 3/4 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. 3/3 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings 2/21 First Reading Senate Rules
SB 943	Senate Rules	Vehicle Laws - Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches - Prohibited Acts Requiring a sales objective or other program for measuring the performance of vehicle dealers to be fair and based on specified factors under specified circumstances; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from denying	4/5 Favorable with Amendments Report by Judicial Proceedings 4/3 Third Reading Passed (45-0) 4/2 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted Second Reading Passed with Amendments

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		<p>specified benefits to a dealer under specified circumstances; establishing the burden of proof when a manufacturer, distributor, factory branch, or captive finance company denies specified benefits to a dealer under specified circumstances; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: TR, §§ 15-207, 15-208, 15-211, and 15-212.1 - amended</p>	<p>3/21 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings Hearing 3/25 at 1:00 p.m. 2/25 First Reading Senate Rules</p>
SB 957	Finance	<p>Homeowner's Insurance - Issuance and Renewal of Policies in Certain Geographic Areas</p> <p>Prohibiting specified insurers from refusing to issue or renew a policy of homeowner's insurance solely because the subject of the risk or the applicant's or the insured's address is located in a specified geographic area; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: IN, § 19-208 - added</p>	<p>3/5 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. 3/3 Re-referred Finance 2/27 First Reading Senate Rules</p>
SB 971	Senate Rules	<p>Homeowner's Insurance - Assignment of Policy on Sale of Property</p> <p>Authorizing the policyholder under a homeowner's insurance policy to assign the policy to the purchaser of the property that is covered by the policy; requiring that an assignment made under the Act be in writing; requiring the purchaser of the property to send a copy of the contract of assignment to the insurer within a specified time after assignment; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: IN, § 19-208 - added</p>	<p>3/20 Unfavorable Report by Finance 3/12 Hearing 3/18 at 1:00 p.m. 3/10 Re-referred Finance 2/29 First Reading Senate Rules</p>
SB 972 (HB 1096)	Senate Rules	<p>Identity Fraud - Seizure and Forfeiture</p> <p>Establishing that specified property that is used or intended for use in connection with a violation of the Identity Fraud law is subject to seizure and forfeiture; establishing conditions that would exclude specified property from forfeiture; establishing how specified property subject to forfeiture may be seized, with specified exceptions; establishing a deadline for filing a</p>	<p>3/24 Withdrawn 3/14 Hearing cancelled 3/11 Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m. 3/10 Re-referred Judicial Proceedings 2/29 First Reading Senate Rules</p>

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		<p>complaint seeking forfeiture; providing for the contents and distribution of a complaint; etc.</p> <p>Affected Law: CP, §§ 12-101, 12-102, 12-103, 12-202, 12-204, 12-205, 12-304, 12-305, 12-309, 12-311, 12-312, and 12-402 – amended</p>	
SB 980	Senate Rules	<p>Uniform Commercial Code - Financing Statements - Termination by Government Employees</p> <p>Authorizing specified government employees to file specified termination statements with respect to specified financing statements; providing for the contents of the termination statement; requiring a specified government employee to send a copy of the termination statement to a specified secured party within 3 days after filing the termination statement; providing that a fee may not be charged for the filing of the termination statement; etc.</p>	<p>3/22 Third Reading Passed (47-0)</p> <p>3/20 Favorable Report by Finance</p> <p>Favorable Report Adopted</p> <p>Second Reading Passed</p> <p>3/12 Hearing 3/19 at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>3/10 Re-referred Finance</p> <p>3/3 First Reading Senate Rules</p>
SB 986	Senate Rules	<p>Baltimore City - Car Dealers - Sunday Operation</p> <p>Authorizing, in Baltimore City, a new or used car dealer to sell, barter, deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a motor vehicle or certificate of title for a motor vehicle on Sunday.</p> <p>Affected Law: BR, § 18-101(d) - amended</p>	<p>3/3 First Reading Senate Rules</p>
SB 1008 (HB 1557)	Finance	<p>Home Builders – Sales Representative Registration & Home Builder Guaranty Fund</p> <p>Repealing a requirement that an individual who sells any real estate as a sales agent for a home builder be licensed by the State Real Estate Commission; renaming the Home Builder Registration Unit in the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General to be the Home Builder and Home Builder Sales Representative Registration Unit; requiring the Unit to maintain a list of specified registered sales representatives; requiring specified home builders to disclose specified information to a prospective home buyer; etc.</p>	<p>5/13 Approved by the Governor - Chapter 480</p> <p>4/2 Senate Concur - House Amendment</p> <p>Third Reading Passed (43-3)</p> <p>Passed Enrolled</p> <p>3/27 Favorable with Amendments Report by Finance</p> <p>3/26 Third Reading Passed (44-1)</p> <p>3/25 Favorable with Amendments Report Adopted</p> <p>Second Reading Passed with Amendments</p>

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			3/14 Hearing 3/20 at 1:00 p.m. 3/12 Re-referred Finance 3/11 First Reading Senate Rules Motion Rules Suspended for late introduction (Senator Middleton) Adopted Referred Senate Rules