



# SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2007 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 24, 2007**  
**Schedule 9**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** February 9 – Bill introduction deadline.  
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 8.  
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

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## **HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 23, 2007**

### **HB 91 Delegate Hubbard**

FOOD SERVICE FACILITIES – ARTIFICIAL TRANS FAT – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a food service facility from using food containing artificial trans fat for specified purposes; providing for an exception to the use of trans fat by a food service facility; requiring a food service facility to maintain on-site the original label for specified food under specified circumstances; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to list specified food service facilities on the Department's website under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2008

HG, §§ 21-314, 21-315, 21-318, and 21-1214 - amended and §§ 21-353 through 21-356 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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**HB 92 Charles County Delegation****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CHARLES COUNTY – LIONS CAMP MERRICK**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Lions Camp Merrick, Inc. for the renovation of the septic system at Camp Merrick, located in Nanjemoy; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 93 Delegate Doory, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BALTIMORE THRIFT STORE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Junior League of Baltimore, Inc. for the construction, renovation, and capital equipping of a thrift store and a Junior League of Baltimore multipurpose facility; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 94 Delegate Hixson, et al****MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2005 – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – OLD BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2005 to extend the date by which the Board of Directors of the Old Blair Auditorium Project, Inc. must present evidence that a matching fund will be provided for the Old Blair High School Auditorium grant.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Chapter 445 of the Acts of 2005, § 1(3) ZA01(AR) and ZA02(AV) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 95 Delegate Hixson, et al****CONDOMINIUMS – CONVERSION OF RENTAL FACILITIES – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

Providing that, in a conversion of rental facilities to condominiums, if a tenant who is entitled to receive a purchase offer does not receive the purchase offer at the same time as the tenant receives the notice of conversion, then a specified time period of continued residency by the tenant does not begin until the tenant receives the purchase offer; and requiring that a specified written form given to a tenant include specified language.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

RP, §§ 11-102.1(a) and (f) and 11-136(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 96 Delegate Hixson, et al****CONDOMINIUMS – CONVERSION OF RENTAL FACILITIES – EXTENDED LEASES – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT**

Increasing from 3 to 5 years the minimum period of an extended lease that a developer converting a rental facility to a condominium is required to offer specified households; authorizing a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on residential real property owned by a developer that converts a residential rental facility to a condominium and offers extended leases to tenants of the residential rental facility; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

RP, §§ 11-102.1(f), 11-137(b) and (f)(1), and 11-140(c) - amended and TP, § 9-246 - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters and Ways and Means

**HB 97 Delegate Hixson, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – CASA MULTI-CULTURAL SERVICE CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of CASA of Maryland, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, and repair of water, sewer, and road improvements associated with the renovation of McCormick–Goodhart Mansion which will be used as the CASA Multi–Cultural Service Center; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 98 Delegate Hixson, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – NATIONAL LABOR COLLEGE ACADEMIC SERVICES BUILDING**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$3,500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the National Labor College, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Academic Services Building; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 99 Delegate Hixson, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BIRCHMERE MUSIC HALL**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$2,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County for the construction, reconstruction, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of the Birchmere Music Hall, located in Silver Spring; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 100 Delegate Nathan–Pulliam, et al****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – CULTURAL COMPETENCY WORKGROUP**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to convene a specified workgroup; requiring the workgroup to report to specified committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2008, on recommendations regarding cultural competency courses for individuals licensed by health occupations boards under the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations

**HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 24, 2007****HB 101 Delegate Burns, et al**

STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMEMORATIVE MONTHS – BLACK HISTORY MONTHS

Requiring the Governor to proclaim the months of January and February to be “Black History Months”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

SG, § 13-502 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 102 Wicomico County Delegation**

NATURAL RESOURCES – OPEN AIR BURNING LIMITATIONS – APPLICATION

Establishing that the prohibition against open air burning during a declared burning ban does not apply to a burning conducted under the direct control and supervision of specified training instructors and fire department personnel.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

NR, § 5-720 - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 103 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**

PUBLIC SAFETY – EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION – WRITTEN POLICIES

Requiring each law enforcement agency in the State to adopt written policies relating to eyewitness identification that comply with specified standards by a specified date and to file a copy of the policies with the Department of State Police by a specified date; and requiring the Department to compile the written policies by a specified date and to allow public inspection of each policy compiled.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

PS, § 3-505 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 104 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**

## CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – EDWARD A. MYERBERG SENIOR CENTER

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of an addition to the Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 105 Delegates Haddaway and Eckardt**

## MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2005 – TALBOT COUNTY – FREDERICK DOUGLASS MEMORIAL

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2005 to extend the deadline by which the Frederick Douglass Memorial Action Coalition may present evidence to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Chapter 445 of the Acts of 2005, § 1(3) Item ZA01 (BN) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 106 Delegate Feldman**

## STATE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION – NONPROFIT SWIM CLUBS

Providing an exemption from the State property tax imposed on property owned by a nonprofit swim club and used exclusively to provide a recreational outlet for a local community; and applying the Act to tax years beginning after June 30, 2007.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

TP, § 7-308 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 107 Delegate Hubbard, et al**

## CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – BOWIE MUNICIPAL CENTER

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Bowie for planning and design of the Bowie Municipal Center; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 108 Delegate O’Donnell, et al**

## CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CALVERT COUNTY – ANNMARIE GARDEN

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$350,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Koenig Private Foundation, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, engineering, and capital equipping of the new building holding a visitors center, exhibition hall, educational facility, and community room; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 109 Delegate Stukes, et al**

## CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BON SECOURS HOSPITAL

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$1,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Bon Secours Hospital, Baltimore, Inc. for the planning, design, renovation, expansion, repair, construction, and capital equipping of the intensive care unit at Bon Secours Hospital; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 110 Delegate Simmons, et al**

## MARYLAND COMPARATIVE NEGLIGENCE ACT

Establishing that in an action brought to recover damages for negligence under specified circumstances, the fact that a plaintiff may have been contributorily negligent may not bar recovery by the plaintiff or the plaintiff's legal representative or beneficiary under specified circumstances; requiring any damages awarded under the Act to be diminished in proportion to the amount of negligence attributed to the plaintiff; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

CJ, § 11-2A-01 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 111 Delegate Hammen, et al**

## CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – JONESTOWN ENTREPRENEUR CENTER

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$750,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of Jonestown Entrepreneur Center, Inc. for the design, construction, and capital equipping of a commercial facility to serve as a small business incubator for small minority– and women–owned businesses, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 112 Delegate Cane, et al**

## WICOMICO COUNTY – LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD – SALARIES

Increasing the annual salaries of the chairman and members of the Wicomico County Liquor Control Board to \$6,000 and \$5,000, respectively; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent chairman or members of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007

Art. 2B, § 15-201(h)(6) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 113 Delegates DeBoy and Malone**

## CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – MARYLAND FOOD BANK

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Maryland Food Bank, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, and renovation of office space and a community kitchen at the Maryland Food Bank; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 114 Delegates DeBoy and Malone**

## CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – WESTCHESTER COMMUNITY CENTER

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Westchester Center Foundation, Inc. for the repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Westchester Community Center; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 115 Delegate Conaway**

## SUBSEQUENT SEXUAL OFFENDERS – PAROLE ELIMINATION

Eliminating parole eligibility for specified sexual offenders.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

CS, § 7-301 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 116 Delegate Glassman**

## ELECTION LAW – REPORTING OF SLATE EXPENDITURES

Requiring that each campaign finance report filed by a campaign finance entity that is a slate include information regarding specified expenditures made on behalf of, or for the benefit of, specified candidates on the slate; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

EL, § 13-304 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 117 Delegate Lee, et al**

## CONSUMER PROTECTION – CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES – SECURITY FREEZES

Authorizing a consumer to elect to place a security freeze on the consumer's consumer report; establishing procedures for requesting a security freeze; requiring a consumer reporting agency to place a security freeze on a consumer's consumer report within specified time periods after specified requests are received and to take specified actions within 5 business days after placing a security freeze on a consumer's consumer report; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008

CL, § 14-1202(a) - amended and § 14-1202.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 118 Delegate Glassman, et al**

## STATE GOVERNMENT – PRIORITY FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS FOR BRAC

Requiring the Interagency Committee on School Construction, in making specified recommendations, to make a high priority the funding of any project needed to accommodate projected student population growth resulting from recommendations of the 2005 Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC); requiring the Maryland Department of Transportation, in its Consolidated Transportation Program, to include as a priority any capital project needed to accommodate projected transportation needs resulting from recommendations of the BRAC; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

ED, § 5-302 and TR, § 2-103.1(c) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 119 Delegates Eckardt and Haddaway**

HEALTH – LABORATORY EXAMINATION REPORTS – INVASIVE DISEASES

Adding specified invasive diseases to the list of invasive diseases that a medical laboratory director must report to a county health officer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2007

HG, § 18-205(c) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 120 Caroline County Delegation**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CAROLINE COUNTY – OLD CAROLINE HIGH SCHOOL

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Denton Development Corporation, Inc. for the planning, construction, repair, renovation, and reconstruction of the Old Caroline High School for use as a small business incubator and culinary institute; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 121 Delegate Elmore**

SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE FEES

Increasing the annual fees for all retail alcoholic beverages licenses in Somerset County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007

Art. 2B, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 122**    **Delegate Elmore****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – SOMERSET COUNTY – ALICE BYRD TAWES NURSING HOME REPLACEMENT FACILITY**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the McCready Foundation, Inc. for the construction and capital equipping of the new Alice Byrd Tawes Nursing and Rehabilitation Center; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007

Assigned to: Appropriations