



Maryland Food System Resiliency Council

Communications and Coordination Subcommittee

Agenda

Feb 7, 2022 1:00pm - 1:30pm

1. Welcome - Michael J. Wilson, Subcommittee Chair
2. Bills for Review - Anna Sierra

- a. New this week:

[HB0456](#) - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - State Supplement. Lowering from 62 to 60 the minimum age that a member of a household must be for eligibility for a State-provided supplemental benefit under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; increasing the amount of the supplemental benefit that the State must provide by increasing the minimum total monthly benefit from \$30 to \$45; etc. *Hearing date set for 2/8.*

[HB0680](#) - Baltimore County - Property Tax Credit - Supermarkets. Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes construction of a new supermarket or any substantial renovation of an existing supermarket and is located in a food desert retail incentive area; and requiring the governing body of Baltimore County to designate what constitutes a food desert retail incentive area for purposes of the tax credit. *Hearing date set for 2/15.*

[SB0362](#) - Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Schools - Revisions. Altering the requirements for virtual schools established by the State Department of Education or a county board of education by requiring a teacher



education program to include training in the skills and techniques for teaching effectively in a virtual learning environment; authorizing a county board to establish one virtual school but may not include classes for prekindergarten or kindergarten students; prohibiting more than 10% of the students from a single public school to enroll in a virtual school in the county; etc. *No hearing date set.*

b. Updates:

- i. [SB0378/HB0646](#) - Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland - Funding for Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission - *Crossfiled in the House; no House hearing date set.*
- ii. [SB0437 \(HB0540\)](#) - Agriculture - University of Maryland Extension - Urban Farmer Assistance - *House hearing set for 2/22.*

c. Hearing Schedule Week of 2/7 (see table below)



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3. Hearing Schedule Week of 2/7

| Bill# (Crossfile) | Title | Sponsor(s) | Hearing Schedule | Notes |
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| Support | | | | |
| <i>No bills currently scheduled for hearings this week.</i> | | | | |
| Monitor | | | | |
| SB0014 (HB0100) | Sustainable Maryland Program Fund - Establishment | Senator Elfreth | Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 2/09/2022 - 1:00 PM | |
| SB0378 (HB0646) | Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland - Funding for Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission | Senator Jackson | Budget and Taxation 2/09/2022 - 1:00 PM | |
| No position | | | | |
| HB0456 | Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - State Supplement | Delegate Valentino-Smith | Appropriations 2/08/2022 - 1:00 PM | New this week |



4. Full Legislative Tracking List - 2022 Session

NO POSITION

| Bill/ Chapter (Cross/ Chapter) | Title | Sponsor | Committees & Hearings | Notes |
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| HB0456 | Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - State Supplement | Delegate Valentino-Smith | Appropriations 2/08/2022 - 1:00 PM | New this week |
| HB0680 | Baltimore County - Property Tax Credit - Supermarkets. | Delegate Brooks, et al | Ways and Means 2/15/2022 - 1:00pm | New this week |
| SB0362 | Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Schools - Revisions | Senator Pinsky | Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 2/16/2022 - 1:00 PM | New this week |

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| HB0147 (SB0121) | Maryland Farms and Families Fund, Maryland Food and Agricultural Resiliency Mechanism Grant Program, and Maryland Farm-to-School Meal Grant Pilot Program – Alterations and Establishment | Delegate Charkoudian Senator Hester | <i>House</i> Environment and Transportation 1/19/2022 - 1:00 PM Ways and Means <i>Senate</i> Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 1/25/2022 - 1:30 PM | Heather testified on HB147 Michael J. will testify on SB121 |
| HB0150 (SB0124) | Public Schools - Grant Program to Reduce and Compost School Waste | Delegate Charkoudian Senator Hettleman | <i>House</i> Ways and Means 1/27/2022 - 1:00 PM <i>Senate</i> Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 1/19/2022 - 1:00 PM | Heather submitted written testimony on 1/25 for the House hearing. |
| SB0263 | Health - Food Service Facilities - Beverage Options With Children's Meals | Senator Beidle | <i>Senate</i> Finance 2/03/2022 - 1:00 PM | Daphene Altema-Johnson |



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| | | | | volunteered to draft written testimony. |
| HB0178 | Public Health – Cottage Food Businesses – Annual Revenues | Delegate Chang | Health and Government Operations 1/19/2022 - 2:50 PM | Dr. Lansing has volunteered to develop testimony for review in case the bill successfully passes the House. |
| HB0184 (SB0229) | Environment - On-Farm Composting Facilities - Permit Exemption | Delegate Shetty Senator Gallion | <i>House</i> Environment and Transportation 2/02/2022 - 1:00 PM <i>Senate</i> Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 1/25/2022 - 1:30 PM | Dr. Lansing volunteered to draft testimony for the House hearing. |

SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS

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| SB0039 | Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Returning to State Meat Processing Inspection (Farms Buy Local Act) | Senator Cassilly | Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 1/25/2022 - 1:30 PM | E&P strongly supports this bill. Some amendments were discussed during the 1/25 C&C meeting. |
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OPPOSE

None identified for opposition at this time.

MONITOR

| Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter) | Title | Sponsor | Org Committees & Hearings | Notes |
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| HB0100 (SB0014) | Sustainable Maryland Program Fund - Establishment | Delegate Solomon Senator Elfreth | <i>House</i> Appropriations 1/25/2022 - 1:00 PM <i>Senate</i> Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 2/9/2022 - 1:00pm | |



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| HB0156 | Local Governments – Urban Agricultural Incentive Zones – Authorization | Delegate Queen | Environment and Transportation 1/19/2022 - 1:00 PM | |
| HB0179 | Counties and State Legislative Districts - Food Environment Reports | Delegate Amprey | Environment and Transportation 1/25/2022 - 1:00 PM | |
| SB0378 | Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland - Funding for Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission | Senator Jackson | Budget and Taxation 2/9/22 - 1:00pm | <i>Monitor</i> Steve McHenry shared a flier from SMADC which was distributed to the group. |
| SB0437 (HB0540) | Agriculture - University of Maryland Extension - Urban Farmer Assistance | Senator McCray | Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs <i>No hearing yet</i> House Appropriations 2/22/22 at 1:00 p.m. | |