



2013 Legislative Agenda – Bills of Interest

The Maryland Rescue and Restore Coalition strongly suggests that you perform your own independent review of these bills and prayerfully consider how they contribute to a Just society. You are also encouraged to make contact with your legislator to communicate your position.

SB0654 - Safe Harbor for Minors Act of 2013 – Sen Simonaire

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=sb0654&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 3/12 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

Establishing a minimum age at which a person may be charged with prostitution offenses; establishing a presumption that if a minor who is 16 or 17 years of age is charged with a prostitution offense, the minor was coerced into committing the offense; and establishing that it is not a defense to a prosecution of prostitution and human trafficking offenses that a person who consented to specified acts may not be prosecuted due to the person's age.

SB0215 – Victim of Human Trafficking Under Age 21 – Sen Forehand

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=sb0215&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 2/12 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

Altering a provision concerning the age of a victim for purposes of specified prohibitions against felony human trafficking.

HB 0713 – Seize and Forfeiture – Del Dumais

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb0713&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 2/19 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judiciary

Authorizing a State or local law enforcement agency, on process issued by a court of competent jurisdiction, to seize specified property used or intended for use in connection with a violation of specified criminal statutes relating to human trafficking; creating an Anti-Human-Trafficking Fund to be administered by the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention; specifying the revenue sources for the Fund; providing for disbursements from the Fund for specified purposes; etc.

HB0933 - Defense of Ignorance of Victim's Age – Del Lee

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb0933&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 2/26 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judiciary

Providing that a person charged with a specified human trafficking offense involving a minor may not assert a defense that the person did not know the age of the victim.

HB0943 - Child Kidnapping and Prostitution – Penalty – Del Lee

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb0943&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 2/26 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judiciary

Reclassifying as a felony a specified offense relating to child kidnapping and prostitution involving an individual under the age of 16 years; and altering the penalty for a specified provision of law relating to child kidnapping and prostitution involving an individual under the age of 16 years.

HB1188 – Human Trafficking – Victims Under Age 21 – Del Valderrama

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb1188&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Assigned to: Judiciary

Altering a provision concerning the age of a victim for purposes of specified prohibitions against felony human trafficking

HB0396 - Electronic Harassment of a Minor – Del Cardin

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb0396&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 3/7 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judiciary

Prohibiting a person from using a computer or computer network to cause a minor or another person to reasonably fear for the safety of the minor under specified circumstances; prohibiting a person from using a computer or



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computer network to engage in conduct which would constitute sexual harassment of a minor, to disseminate data with the malicious intent to psychologically torment or harass a minor, or for specified other purposes; etc.

HB1311 - Trafficking of Human Organs – Penalties – Del Carter

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Hearing Date: 3/7 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judiciary

Related Legislation:

SB0657 – Third Degree Sexual Offense - Person in Position of Authority – Sen. King

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=sb0657&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 3/12 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

Repealing the requirement that the prosecution of a misdemeanor offense of the prohibition against a specified person in a position of authority engaging in a sexual act or sexual contact with a minor, under specified circumstances, be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed; prohibiting a specified person in a position of authority who is at least 4 years older than the victim from engaging in sexual contact or a sexual act while the minor is enrolled or participating in a specified institution, program, or activity; etc.

SB0810 – Coaches - Sexual Contact with Minors – Prohibition – Sen Jones-Rodwell

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=sb0810&stab=01&ys=2013RS> –

Hearing Date: 3/12 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

Prohibiting a coach from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor under specified circumstances; providing for a statute of limitations for the prosecution of a violation of the Act; etc.

SB0377 - Fourth-Degree Sex Offense - School Employees and Contractors – Sen King

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=sb0377&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 3/12 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

Altering the definition of "person in a position of authority" relating to prohibiting an individual from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor under specified circumstances to remove a limitation to full-time employees and to include specified contractors or persons employed by or under contract with contractors.



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HB 0031 – Fourth-Degree Sex Offense - School Employees and Contractors Del Arora

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb0031&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 1/22 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judiciary

Altering the definition of "person in a position of authority" relating to prohibiting an individual from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor under specified circumstances to remove a limitation to full-time employees and to include specified contractors or persons employed by or under contract with contractors.

HB0985 - Third Degree Sexual Offense – Burglary – Del Clippinger

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb0985&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Assigned to: Judiciary

Establishing that engaging in sexual contact with another without the consent of the other in connection with a first, second, or third degree burglary constitutes sexual offense in the third degree; altering the definitions of "tier I sex offender", "tier II sex offender", and "tier III sex offender" applicable to provisions relating to sex offender registration to include specified acts constituting sexual offense in the third degree; etc.

HB0336- Table Games and Video Lottery Terminals - Playing by Individual Under 21 Years of Age – Del Reznik

<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmMain.aspx?pid=billpage&tab=subject3&id=hb0336&stab=01&ys=2013RS>

Hearing Date: 2/12 at 1pm

Assigned to: Judiciary

Prohibiting an individual under the age of 21 years from playing a table game or video lottery terminal in a video lottery facility; providing that it is a Code violation and a civil offense for an individual under the age of 21 years to play a table game or video lottery terminal in a video lottery facility; providing that a person who violates the Act shall be issued a citation; establishing penalties for a violation of the Act; establishing procedures for the issuance of a citation under the Act; etc.