

During the legislative session, the Department of Legislative Reference publishes the daily floor proceedings for both the Senate and the House of Delegates, as well as daily synopses of legislation introduced. The proceedings list all actions taken on bills and joint resolutions in either chamber each day. The synopses summarize legislation introduced each day, and note the primary sponsor(s), the committee assignment, and the section of the *Annotated Code* affected by the legislation. As with printed bills, the Senate proceedings and synopses are on white paper, the House on blue. The Department also publishes a weekly public hearing schedule specifying the times and places for all legislative committee meetings. The hearing schedule is published weekly all year, but is especially useful during the legislative session because it lists what bills will be heard each day.

A limited number of synopses, proceedings, and hearing schedules are available to the public at the Information Desk of the State House (ground floor) or the Information Desk in the Legislative Services Building (ground floor). Copies of printed bills and joint resolutions may be obtained from the Bill Room in the Legislative Services Building.

The Department of Legislative Reference offers a subscription service known as the *Bin Service* to persons or organizations with a broad continuing need for bill information. Subscriptions are filed in Room G-17 of the Legislative Services Building (Phone: Baltimore area 841-3883; D.C. area 858-3883; other areas 1-800-492-7122).

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Newspapers. Newspapers often publish public hearing schedules of General Assembly committees and articles about bills introduced.

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The Department of Legislative Reference also publishes legislative committee reports, various in-

dexes to bills, *Final Status Report of Proposed Legislation, Synopsis of Laws Enacted*, journals of both Senate and House, and *Laws of Maryland*.

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1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

393rd session of General Assembly

Convened: January 14, 1987

Adjourned: April 13, 1987

Bills

	Introduced	Passed
Senate.....	1,075	363
House.....	1,593	510
Total	2,668	873

	Signed	Vetoed
Senate.....	328	35
House.....	450	60
Total	778	95

Joint Resolutions

	Introduced	Passed
Senate.....	44	11
House.....	69	14
Total	113	25

Constitutional Amendments

Proposed:

Senate.....	4
House.....	11
Total	15

Submitted to referendum:..... 0

Vetoes

Overridden.....0

Budget

Operating Budget	\$8,929,232,893
(6.6% increase)	
State Debt	\$230,000,000
General Construction Loan	\$ 99,839,000
School Construction Loan.....	\$ 53,900,000
Bonds	\$ 76,261,000