

# Maryland General Assembly

## Special Session Notice

### Instructions for Public Testimony on the Administration Bills being heard October 30 through November 2 in the Joint Hearing Room

#### Oral Testimony

Anyone wishing to testify on any bill must sign the witness register at least 15 minutes before the scheduled start time of the hearing. The witness register will be available at least one hour before the scheduled start time of each hearing. For any 9:00 a.m. start times, the witness register will be available by 3:00 p.m. the prior day. All witness registers will be available for sign up outside of the Joint Hearing Room located in the Legislative Services Building.

Time allotments for oral testimony will be at the discretion of the Chairs.

#### Written Testimony

If you are providing written testimony, you are strongly encouraged to provide 100 copies by 3:00 p.m. on the day prior to the scheduled hearing – Advance testimony may be brought to Room 214 of the Legislative Services Building.

If you are unable to provide testimony on the prior day, please submit 100 copies no later than 90 minutes before the hearing start time. For any 9:00 a.m. hearings, please submit testimony no later than one hour before the hearing start time – **In order for testimony to be distributed by staff, it must be brought to the Joint Hearing Room of the Legislative Services Building and placed at the designated table.**

#### **PLEASE DO NOT DELIVER TO THE COMMITTEES ANY WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION BILLS BEING HEARD IN THE JOINT HEARING ROOM**

At the discretion of the Chairs, any late testimony will not be distributed during the hearing but may be delivered to the members' offices if time permits.

Please clearly mark on **each copy** of your written testimony the subject matter (in lieu of a bill number) as listed in the hearing schedule.

## Public Hearing Schedule

### Tuesday, October 30

10:00 a.m., Joint Hearing Room

House Appropriations Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, and the Spending Affordability Committee

- (1) Spending Affordability Presentation – State Budget Overview
- (2) Briefing on Governor’s Cost of Delay Budget Reductions
- (3) Governor’s Proposed Budget Solution – Overview

1:00 p.m., Joint Hearing Room

House Appropriations Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

- (1) Hearing on the Governor’s Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act
  - a. Freeze on Education Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Governments
  - b. Elimination of Electric Utility Property Tax Grant and Repeal of Electric Utility Company Property Tax Exemption

### Wednesday, October 31

9:00 a.m., Joint Hearing Room

House Ways and Means Committee, House Appropriations Committee, and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

- (1) Hearing on Governor’s Transportation Funding legislation
  - a. Vehicle Excise Tax
  - b. Motor Fuel Tax Indexing
  - c. General Fund Transfers

1:00 p.m., Joint Hearing Room

House Ways and Means Committee, House Appropriations Committee, and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

- (1) Hearing on Governor’s Corporate Tax legislation
  - a. Controlling Interest
  - b. Corporate Income Tax Rate – dedication to Higher Education and Transportation
  - c. Combined Reporting

### Thursday, November 1

10:00 a.m., Joint Hearing Room

House Ways and Means Committee, House Appropriations Committee, and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

- (1) Hearing on Governor’s Property Tax Reduction legislation

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- (2) Hearing on Governor’s Tobacco Tax legislation

**Thursday, November 1 (Continued)**

1:00 p.m., Joint Hearing Room

House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

- (1) Hearing on Governor's Income Tax Restructuring legislation
  - a. Increase of Refundable Earned Income Tax Credit
  - b. Restructuring of Income Tax Rates
  - c. Refundable Sales Tax Credit
  - d. Senior Income Tax Exemption
- (2) Hearing on Governor's Sales Tax legislation
  - a. Sales Tax Rate
  - b. Expansion of Sales Tax to Certain Services
  - c. Sales Tax Holidays

1:00 p.m., 3 East, Miller Senate Building

House Health and Government Operations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee

- (1) Hearing on Governor's Health Care Reform legislation

1:00 p.m., Room 120 House Office Building

House Appropriations Committee

- (1) Briefing and hearing on further budget reduction options

**Friday, November 2**

11:00 a.m., Joint Hearing Room

House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

- (1) Hearing on Governor's Video Lottery Terminal legislation

11:00 a.m., Room 250, House Office Building

House Environmental Matters Committee

- (1) Hearing on Green Fund legislation

11:00 a.m., Room 120, House Office Building

House Appropriations Committee

- (1) Briefing on Mandated Budget Appropriations

**Saturday, November 3**

10:00 a.m., 3 West, Miller Senate Building

Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

Work Session

10:00 a.m., Room 130, House Office Building

House Ways and Means Committee

Bill hearings to be announced

10:00 a.m., Room 120, House Office Building

House Appropriations Committee

Bill hearings to be announced