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By: **Chairman, Finance Committee (Departmental - Insurance
Administration, Maryland)**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Insurance - Dental Plan Organizations - Annual Report**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the date by which a dental plan organization must file a
4 certain report with the Insurance Commissioner; and generally relating to
5 dental plan organizations.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Insurance
8 Section 14-413
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1997 Volume)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article - Insurance**

14 14-413.

15 (a) On or before [July 1] APRIL 1 of each year, each dental plan organization
16 shall file with the Commissioner a report, on the form that the Commissioner
17 provides, that covers the activities of the dental plan organization for the preceding
18 calendar year.

19 (b) The report required under subsection (a) of this section shall include:

20 (1) a financial statement of the dental plan organization, including its
21 balance sheet, receipts, and disbursements for the preceding year certified by a
22 certified public accountant;

23 (2) any significant modification of information submitted with the
24 application for a certificate of authority;

1 (3) the number of individuals who became enrollees during the year, the
2 number of enrollees as of the end of the year, and the number of enrollments
3 terminated during the year;

4 (4) a description of the enrollee complaint system, including:

5 (i) the procedures of the complaint system;

6 (ii) the number of written complaints handled through the
7 complaint system;

8 (iii) a summary of causes underlying the complaints; and

9 (iv) the number, amount, and disposition of malpractice claims
10 settled during the year by the dental plan organization and any of the dentists used
11 by it; and

12 (5) any other information about the performance of the dental plan
13 organization that the Commissioner requires.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
15 effect October 1, 1998.