

# HOUSE BILL 1423

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By: **Delegate Costa**

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Small Group Market Health Insurance – Renewal Notice**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the minimum number of days before the expiration of a  
4 health benefit plan by which a health insurance carrier is required to mail a  
5 notice of renewal to a certain small employer; providing for the application of  
6 this Act; and generally relating to renewal of health benefit plans under small  
7 group market health insurance.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Insurance  
10 Section 15–1212(a)(3)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Insurance**

16 15–1212.

17 (a) (3) (i) A carrier shall mail a notice of renewal to the small  
18 employer at least [45] **60** days before the expiration of a health benefit plan.

19 (ii) The notice of renewal shall include the dates of the renewal  
20 period, the health benefit plan rates, and the terms of coverage under the health  
21 benefit plan.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to all  
23 policies, contracts, and health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed in the State  
24 on or after October 1, 2010.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2010.