



WOMEN'S LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

February 13, 2020

Senator William C. Smith, Jr. , Chair

Senator Jeff Waldstreicher, Vice Chair

Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee:

The Women's Legislative Caucus respectfully submits its support for SB406 Criminal Procedure - Sexual Assault Evidence Kits - Privacy, Reimbursement, and Notification.

This legislation requires a physician, qualified health care provider, or hospital to provide a certain notice to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board regarding that services were rendered to a victim of an alleged rape or sexual offense or a victim of alleged child sexual abuse; prohibiting a physician, qualified health care provider, or hospital from including certain information in a request to obtain payment for certain services related to sexual assault forensic examinations for certain sexually related crimes under certain circumstances; etc.

The Caucus supports bills that directly affect women and have bipartisan support; its members voted to support SB406 on February 12, 2020.

The Caucus requests a positive action on behalf of this legislation.