



Committee: Senate Finance Committee

Bill Number: House Bill 1104 – Maryland Department of Health - AHEAD Model Implementation - Electronic Health Care Transactions and Population Health Improvement Fund

Hearing Date: March 25, 2025

Position: Support

Moveable Feast supports House *Bill 1104 – Maryland Department of Health - AHEAD Model Implementation - Electronic Health Care Transactions and Population Health Improvement Fund*. This bill authorizes CRISP to provide data to support the AHEAD model, and sets up a special fund, using hospital assessments, to reduce rates of common preventable conditions, address health related social needs, and reduce or eliminate health disparities.

Moveable Feast’s mission is to improve the health of Marylanders experiencing food insecurity and chronic illness by preparing and delivering medically tailored meals and providing nutrition education, thereby achieving racial, social, and health equity. We support this legislation as part of Maryland’s efforts to address social determinants of health through the AHEAD model. These efforts align with an increasing recognition, backed by an increasing body of data, that the delivery of medically tailored meals improves health outcomes and reduces health care costs.¹

We ask for a favorable report. If we can provide any additional information, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net.

¹ <https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2797397>