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**Committee:** Senate Finance Committee

**Bill Number:** House Bill 1082 – Health Insurance - Individual Market Stabilization - Establishment of the State-Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program

**Hearing Date:** March 27, 2025

**Position:** Support

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The Maryland Dental Action Coalition (MDAC) supports *House Bill 1082 – Health Insurance – Individual Market Stabilization – Establishment of the State-Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program*. The legislation establishes the framework for a state program to provide premium support for low-income families that purchase health insurance through the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange. This premium support is currently provided through federal funds, but with the changing federal landscape, it is unclear of how long it will continue. The federal subsidy program has enabled thousands of Marylanders to purchase health insurance, which includes pediatric dental coverage under essential health benefit requirements.

We ask for a favorable report. MDAC supports this legislation because it provides stability for Maryland’s consumers. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at [relliott@policypartners.net](mailto:relliott@policypartners.net) or (443) 926-3443.

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