

# SENATE BILL 945

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By: **Senator Kelly**

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Assigned to: Finance

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance – Individuals With**  
3 **Intellectual Disabilities – Study**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland  
5 Insurance Administration jointly to conduct a study of Maryland Medical  
6 Assistance Program and commercial health insurance coverage to measure the  
7 number and percentage of individuals who have been denied health coverage for  
8 the treatment of an intellectual disability during a certain period of time; and  
9 generally relating to a study of health coverage for individuals with intellectual  
10 disabilities.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
12 That:

13 (a) The Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Insurance  
14 Administration jointly shall conduct a study of Maryland Medical Assistance Program  
15 and commercial health insurance coverage to measure the number and percentage of  
16 individuals who have been denied health coverage for the treatment of an intellectual  
17 disability from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2025, both inclusive.

18 (b) On or before December 1, 2025, the Maryland Department of Health and the  
19 Maryland Insurance Administration jointly shall report their findings to the Governor  
20 and, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
22 1, 2024.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

