

SENATE BILL 58

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ENROLLED BILL
-- Finance/Economic Matters --

Introduced by **Chairman, Finance Committee (Departmental - Insurance Administration, Maryland)**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Insurance - Dental Plan Organizations - Annual Report**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the date by which a dental plan organization must file a
4 certain report with the Insurance Commissioner; clarifying certain information
5 that is to be included in a certain report; and generally relating to dental plan
6 organizations.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Insurance
9 Section 14-413
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1997 Volume)

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

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Article - Insurance

2 14-413.

3 (a) On or before [July 1] APRIL 1 of each year, each dental plan organization
4 shall file with the Commissioner a report, on the form that the Commissioner
5 provides, that covers the activities of the dental plan organization for the preceding
6 calendar year.

7 (b) The report required under subsection (a) of this section shall include:

8 (1) a financial statement of the dental plan organization, including its
9 balance sheet, receipts, and disbursements for the preceding year certified by a
10 certified public accountant;

11 (2) any significant modification of information submitted with the
12 application for a certificate of authority;

13 (3) the number of individuals who became enrollees during the year, the
14 number of enrollees as of the end of the year, and the number of enrollments
15 terminated during the year;

16 (4) a description of the enrollee complaint system, including:

17 (i) the procedures of the complaint system;

18 (ii) the number of written complaints handled through the
19 complaint system;

20 (iii) a summary of causes underlying the complaints; and

21 (iv) the CURRENT number, amount, and disposition of malpractice
22 claims settled during the year by the dental plan organization and any of the dentists
23 used by it; and

24 (5) any other information about the performance of the dental plan
25 organization that the Commissioner requires.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
27 effect October 1, 1998.