
By: **Delegates Clagett, Rosso, and Rzepkowski**
Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2000
Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health Insurance - Coverage for In Vitro Fertilization**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that the requirement that the patient and the patient's
4 spouse have a history of infertility of a certain duration to be eligible for certain
5 in vitro fertilization health insurance benefits does not apply if the infertility is
6 associated with abnormal male factors contributing to the infertility; and
7 generally relating to coverage of benefits for in vitro fertilization.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Insurance
10 Section 15-810
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1997 Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Insurance**

16 15-810.

17 (a) This section applies to:

18 (1) each individual hospital or major medical insurance policy of an
19 insurer that:

- 20 (i) 1. is delivered or issued for delivery in the State; or
- 21 2. covers individuals who reside and work in the State; and
- 22 (ii) is written on an expense-incurred basis;

23 (2) each group or blanket health insurance policy of an insurer that:

- 24 (i) 1. is issued or delivered in the State; or

1 guidelines for in vitro fertilization clinics or to the American Fertility Society minimal
2 standards for programs of in vitro fertilization.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
4 October 1, 2000.