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By: **Delegate Hurson**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - Maryland Medical Assistance**  
3 **Program - Reporting by Large Employers on Enrolled Employees**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring certain large employers in the State to report to the  
5 Department of Health and Mental Hygiene on or before a certain date each year  
6 on the number of employees employed by the employer in the State and the  
7 number of employees enrolled in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program;  
8 requiring the Department to make a certain annual report to the General  
9 Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to make certain  
10 information available to the public; requiring the Department to adopt certain  
11 regulations; and generally relating to the disclosure of information on employees  
12 of certain large employers who are enrolled in the Program in the Department.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article - Health - General  
15 Section 15-101(a) and (h)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

18 BY adding to  
19 Article - Health - General  
20 Section 15-141  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

25 **Article - Health - General**

26 15-101.

27 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

28 (h) "Program" means the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

1 15-141.

2 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "LARGE EMPLOYER" MEANS AN EMPLOYER WITH AT  
3 LEAST 10,000 EMPLOYEES.

4 (B) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO EACH LARGE EMPLOYER IN THE STATE THAT  
5 DOES NOT PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR ITS EMPLOYEES.

6 (C) A LARGE EMPLOYER SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL REPORT TO THE  
7 DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30 OF EACH YEAR ON:

8 (1) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES EMPLOYED BY THE LARGE EMPLOYER  
9 IN THE STATE; AND

10 (2) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES OF THE LARGE EMPLOYER WHO ARE  
11 ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM.

12 (D) (1) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
13 REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE  
14 GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED UNDER  
15 SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

16 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC THE  
17 INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)  
18 OF THIS SUBSECTION.

19 (3) THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS  
20 SUBSECTION AND THE INFORMATION MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UNDER  
21 PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT CONTAIN PERSONAL IDENTIFYING  
22 INFORMATION ON THE EMPLOYEES WHO ARE ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM.

23 (E) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS  
24 SECTION.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
26 October 1, 2005.