

HOUSE BILL 1060

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Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2007

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Medicaid Transparency Act**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to
4 provide certain notification to certain legislative committees regarding a certain
5 State plan amendment or waiver application; providing the committees a
6 certain period of time to review and comment before the amendment or waiver
7 application is submitted; and generally relating to notification regarding a State
8 plan amendment or waiver application in the Maryland Medical Assistance
9 Program.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Health – General

12 Section 15–102.1(c)

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Health – General**

18 15–102.1.

19 (C) (1) **AT LEAST 60 DAYS BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT SUBMITS TO**
20 **THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES ANY**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **AMENDMENT TO THE MEDICAID STATE PLAN OR ANY APPLICATION FOR A**
2 **WAIVER FROM FEDERAL MEDICAID REQUIREMENTS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL**
3 **PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND**
4 **THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE.**

5 **(2) THE NOTIFICATION SHALL INCLUDE:**

6 **(I) A COPY OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OR WAIVER**
7 **APPLICATION;**

8 **(II) THE PROJECTED FISCAL IMPACT;**

9 **(III) THE PROJECTED IMPACT ON PROGRAM ENROLLEES**
10 **AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS;**

11 **(IV) THE LIKELY EFFECTS ON HEALTH CARE COSTS AND**
12 **HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS IN THE STATE; AND**

13 **(V) THE PROCESS FOR OBTAINING STAKEHOLDER INPUT**
14 **BEFORE IMPLEMENTATION.**

15 **(3) THE COMMITTEES SHALL HAVE 60 DAYS TO REVIEW AND**
16 **COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OR WAIVER APPLICATION BEFORE**
17 **ITS SUBMISSION TO THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID**
18 **SERVICES.**

19 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect**
20 **October 1, 2007.**