

# HOUSE BILL 1336

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EMERGENCY BILL

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Health Benefit Exchange – Enrollment of Individuals –**  
3 **Information**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to ask certain  
5 individuals for certain information when facilitating enrollment of the  
6 individuals in certain health insurance plans and certain health insurance  
7 programs; providing for the application of this Act; making this Act an  
8 emergency measure; and generally relating to the Maryland Health Benefit  
9 Exchange and the enrollment of individuals in health insurance plans and  
10 programs.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – Insurance

13 Section 31–120

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Insurance**

19 **31–120.**

20 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO THE ENROLLMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL**  
21 **INTO A QUALIFIED HEALTH PLAN, THE MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**  
22 **PROGRAM, OR THE MARYLAND CHILDREN’S HEALTH PROGRAM WHEN**  
23 **FACILITATED BY THE EXCHANGE THROUGH:**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(1) ITS WEB SITE; OR**

2           **(2) AN INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO FACILITATE ENROLLMENT**  
3 **UNDER THIS TITLE OR FEDERAL LAW.**

4           **(B) WHEN FACILITATING ENROLLMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL INTO A**  
5 **QUALIFIED HEALTH PLAN, THE MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,**  
6 **OR THE MARYLAND CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM, THE EXCHANGE SHALL**  
7 **ASK THE INDIVIDUAL APPLYING FOR COVERAGE:**

8           **(1) WHETHER THE INDIVIDUAL BEING ENROLLED CURRENTLY**  
9 **HAS HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OR PREVIOUSLY HAS HAD HEALTH**  
10 **INSURANCE COVERAGE;**

11           **(2) IF THE INDIVIDUAL BEING ENROLLED CURRENTLY DOES NOT**  
12 **HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE AND HAS HAD HEALTH INSURANCE**  
13 **COVERAGE IN THE PAST:**

14           **(I) THE DATE ON WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL'S MOST RECENT**  
15 **HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE WAS TERMINATED; AND**

16           **(II) THE REASON FOR THE TERMINATION OF COVERAGE;**  
17 **AND**

18           **(3) IF THE INDIVIDUAL BEING ENROLLED CURRENTLY HAS**  
19 **HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OR PREVIOUSLY HAS HAD HEALTH INSURANCE**  
20 **COVERAGE, WHETHER THE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE WAS PURCHASED BY**  
21 **THE INDIVIDUAL FROM A CARRIER, OBTAINED THROUGH AN EMPLOYER, OR**  
22 **OBTAINED THROUGH SOME OTHER SOURCE.**

23           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency  
24 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,  
25 has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members  
26 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from  
27 the date it is enacted.