

HOUSE BILL 1243

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By: **Delegates Angel, Cullison, Hayes, Hill, Kelly, Miele, Saab, and Sample–Hughes**
Introduced and read first time: February 12, 2016
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Specialty Care – Prohibition on**
3 **Authorization**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring, on or before a certain date, the Department of Health and
5 Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations that require the Department to determine the
6 date on which the eligibility of a Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipient
7 ends, require the Department to include certain information on an authorization for
8 special care, and prohibit the Department from authorizing specialty care beyond a
9 certain date; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program
10 and the authorization of specialty care.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
12 That on or before December 1, 2016, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall
13 adopt regulations that:

14 (1) require the Department to determine the date on which the eligibility
15 of a Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipient ends;

16 (2) require the Department to include on an authorization for specialty
17 care the date on which the eligibility of a Program recipient ends; and

18 (3) prohibit the Department from authorizing Maryland Medical
19 Assistance Program specialty care beyond the date on which the eligibility of a Program
20 recipient ends.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
22 1, 2016.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

