

HOUSE BILL 1158

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Comprehensive Dental Benefits for**
3 **Adults – Authorization**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, beginning on
5 a certain date and subject to certain limitations, to provide comprehensive dental
6 services for certain adults; and generally relating to dental services provided by the
7 Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article – Health – General
10 Section 15–103(a)(1)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – Health – General
15 Section 15–103(a)(2)(xi) and (xii)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

18 BY adding to
19 Article – Health – General
20 Section 15–103(a)(2)(xiii)
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **Article – Health – General**

2 15–103.

3 (a) (1) The Secretary shall administer the Maryland Medical Assistance
4 Program.

5 (2) The Program:

6 (xi) May include bedside nursing care for eligible Program recipients;
7 [and]8 (xii) Shall provide services in accordance with funding restrictions
9 included in the annual State budget bill; AND10 **(XIII) BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2019, MAY PROVIDE, SUBJECT**
11 **TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET, AND AS PERMITTED BY FEDERAL LAW,**
12 **COMPREHENSIVE DENTAL SERVICES FOR ADULTS WHOSE ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD**
13 **INCOME IS AT OR BELOW 133 PERCENT OF THE POVERTY LEVEL.**14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 2017.