

HOUSE BILL 722

J1

5lr2295

By: **Delegate Rosenberg**

Introduced and read first time: January 27, 2025

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Department of Health – Report on Oversight of Substance Use**
3 **Disorder Treatment Programs and Recovery Residences**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Department of Health to submit reports on or
5 before certain dates on the oversight of substance use disorder treatment programs
6 and recovery residences; and generally relating to the oversight of substance use
7 disorder treatment programs and recovery residences.

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
9 That:

10 (a) On or before December 1, 2025, and December 1, 2026, the Maryland
11 Department of Health shall report to the Senate Finance Committee, the Senate Budget
12 and Taxation Committee, the House Health and Government Operations Committee, and
13 the House Appropriations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State
14 Government Article, on:

15 (1) the revision of COMAR 10.63;

16 (2) improvements to the oversight of substance use disorder treatment
17 programs; and

18 (3) improvements to procedures for the certification, monitoring, and
19 oversight of recovery residences.

20 (b) The reports required under subsection (a) of this section shall include, to the
21 extent authorized by law, an analysis of how the revisions to COMAR 10.63 and other
22 changes undertaken by the Department will prevent events similar to those that occurred
23 and were reported related to PHA Healthcare, including patient relapse and death while
24 enrolled in a substance use disorder program and housed in provider–owned buildings.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
2 1, 2025.