

SENATE BILL 684

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(5lr2218)

ENROLLED BILL

— Finance/Health and Government Operations —

Introduced by **Senator Augustine**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Health – Health Equity Dashboard**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in collaboration with
4 the Commission on Health Equity, to develop a health equity data dashboard;
5 requiring the Department to update the data dashboard at a certain frequency; and
6 generally relating to a health equity data dashboard.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Health – General

9 Section 13–5501 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 55. Health Equity Dashboard”

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 Article – Health – General

2 SUBTITLE 55. HEALTH EQUITY DASHBOARD.

3 13-5501.

4 (A) (1) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE COMMISSION
5 ON HEALTH EQUITY, SHALL DEVELOP A CLEAR AND EASY-TO-UNDERSTAND
6 GRAPHIC DATA DASHBOARD THAT INCLUDES AGE-ADJUSTED HEALTH DISPARITY
7 DATA DISAGGREGATED BY RACE, ETHNICITY, AND GENDER.

8 (2) THE DATA DASHBOARD SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION
9 REGARDING THE FOLLOWING HEALTH INDICATORS:

10 (I) HEALTH INSURANCE ACCESS;

11 (II) CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE;

12 (III) CHRONIC DISEASE;

13 (IV) MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ~~ABUSE~~ USE;

14 (V) CANCER;

15 (VI) HIV/AIDS;

16 (VII) SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTION; ~~AND~~

17 (VIII) BODY MASS INDEX; AND

18 (IX) ANY OTHER HEALTH INDICATORS DETERMINED RELEVANT
19 BY THE DEPARTMENT.

20 (B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

21 (1) UPDATE THE DATA DASHBOARD DEVELOPED UNDER SUBSECTION
22 (A) OF THIS SECTION ~~AT LEAST EVERY 30 DAYS~~ ON A QUARTERLY BASIS, AS
23 DETERMINED BY DATA AVAILABILITY; AND

24 (2) POST THE MOST RECENT UPDATED DATA DASHBOARD
25 PROMINENTLY ON ITS WEBSITE.

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