



House Bill 283
Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Gender-Affirming Treatment
Trans Health Equity Act
Support

Dear Chair Peña-Melnyk, Vice Chair Kelly, and members of the Health and Government Operations Committee:

Pro-Choice Maryland is submitting this testimony in support of HB283, the Trans Health Equity Act, which would expand Maryland Medicaid to cover lifesaving gender-affirming care. Maryland has long been a safe haven for people seeking care that isn't available in their own states. In continuing to be a haven state, we must protect the people who are on the front lines of offering both abortion care and gender-affirming care without equivocation. Pro-Choice Maryland fully supports the autonomy and protection of trans people and their care providers.

We respectfully urge this committee to return a favorable report on HB283.

Sincerely,

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