HB 283

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Gender-Affirming Treatment (Trans Health Equity Act)

Position: Favorable

Testimony by Isabella Shycoff

HB 283 adds gender-affirming healthcare treatment coverage under Maryland's Medicaid program.

This bill advances Maryland healthcare by expanding comprehensive healthcare coverage to the transgender community in Maryland. It in brings our state into compliance with federal legal guidelines, and reduces healthcare inequities faced by the transgender community.

These are real benefits that will positively impact real people in our state. It makes a statement that Maryland is fair, just and equitable for all Marylanders.

I urge a favorable report by the Committee.