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Committee: **House Appropriations Committee**

Bill: **House Bill 1076 – Higher Education Institutions – Over-the-Counter Contraception – Access and Reporting**

Hearing Date: **March 3, 2026**

Position: **Support**

The Women's Law Center of Maryland supports *House Bill 1076 – Higher Education Institutions – Over-the-Counter Contraception – Access and Reporting.* Maryland law already requires public 4-year colleges and community colleges to provide access to over-the-counter contraception on campus. The bill provides for two clarifications to Maryland law: 1) 4-year schools will be required to report annually on the program to the Maryland Higher Education Commission, just as community colleges are required to report; and 2) the requirement for access to over-the-counter contraception on community colleges is for all methods, just as is required for 4-year schools.

We ask for a favorable report. The clarifications proposed by House Bill 1057 will help the Maryland Higher Education Commission in implementing Maryland's law. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net or (443) 926-3443.

The Women's Law Center of Maryland is a private, non-profit, legal services organization that serves as a leading voice for justice and fairness for women. It advocates for the rights of women through legal assistance to individuals and strategic initiatives to achieve systemic change, working to ensure physical safety, economic security, and bodily autonomy for women in Maryland.