



Committee: House Health Committee

Bill Numbers: House Bill 1246 - Maryland Department of Health – Employment Training and Opportunity Database

Hearing Date: March 4, 2026

Position: Support

The Coordinating Center supports *House Bill 1246 – Maryland Department of Health – Employment Training and Opportunities Database*. The legislation will establish a centralized source of information for training and employment opportunities to support Marylanders in meeting work requirements to participate in the Maryland Medicaid Assistance and SNAP programs. Under HR 1, these work requirements will be implemented in 2027.

Our organization provides care coordination to nearly 10,000 Marylanders annually through REM, DDA, Community First Choice Program, and other home and community-based services waivers and programs under Medicaid. While HR 1’s work requirements will not disrupt eligibility for people served in home and community-based service waivers, we are deeply concerned about HR 1’s impact on the overall sustainability of the Medicaid program.

We support HB 1246, as it will support more Marylander’s in maintaining their eligibility for Maryland and SNAP once work requirements go into effect.

We ask for a favorable report. If we can provide any additional information, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net.

