

Committee: Senate Finance Committee

Bill: House Bill 1365 – Health Occupations, Public Health, and Insurance – Menopause – Provider Training Coverage Requirements, Policy Initiatives, and Access to Care

Hearing Date: March 25, 2026

Position: Support

The Women’s Law Center of Maryland supports *House Bill 1365 – Health Occupations, Public Health, and Insurance – Menopause – Provider Training, Coverage Requirements, Policy Initiatives, and Access to Care*. The bill provides for a multifaceted policy strategy to advance access to healthcare services related to evaluation and treatment of menopause.

Our healthcare system has long marginalized the treatment of menopause. As a result, 80% of women experiencing menopausal symptoms do not seek treatment.ⁱ House Bill 1365 will support the integration of menopausal care into our healthcare system by encouraging continuing education for health professionals and requiring insurance coverage of menopausal treatment.

We ask for a favorable report. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net or (443) 926-3443.

ⁱ <https://newsnetwork.mayoclinic.org/discussion/mayo-clinic-study-finds-majority-of-midlife-women-with-menopause-symptoms-do-not-seek-care/>

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