



**Committee:** Senate Finance Committee

**Bill:** House Bill 264 – Maryland Data Privacy and Protection Act of 2026

**Hearing Date:** April 1, 2026

**Position:** Support

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The Maryland Affiliate of the American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM) strongly supports *House Bill 264 – Maryland Data Privacy and Protection Act of 2026*. The bill establishes core principles of data privacy for State agency information technology systems. These principles include ensuring the State only collects data necessary for state governance and retains the data for as long as it needs. ACNM appreciates the efforts of the Maryland Department of Information Technology to incorporate these data privacy principles in IT systems throughout state government.

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