

Committee: House Health Committee

Bill: House Bill 1451 – Public Health - Women's Health Care Data - Report

Hearing Date: March 10, 2026

Position: Oppose

The Women's Law Center of Maryland opposes *House Bill 1451 – Public Health - Women's Health Care Data - Report*. The bill requires every healthcare provider in the state to report information about budgets and costs for a range of women's health care services, including abortion care. The Women's Law Center is opposed to this bill because it:

- Imposes a reporting requirement on women's healthcare providers, creating a significant cost and administrative burden at a time when resources are shrinking;
- Is not necessary for information about Medicaid coverage. Information about Medicaid spending is already available;
- Frames abortion care inaccurately with references to abortion reversal, which is not supported by the clinical evidence.

We ask for an unfavorable report. If we can provide any additional 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.