

HOUSE BILL 670

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By: **Delegates Wilkins and Charles**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2022

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Health Care Commission – Study on Expansion of Interstate**
3 **Telehealth**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with
5 certain State agencies and stakeholders, to study ways that interstate telehealth can
6 be expanded; and generally relating to a study on the expansion of interstate
7 telehealth.

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
9 That:

10 (a) The Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with, as appropriate,
11 the State Board of Physicians, the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission, the
12 Maryland Department of Health, the Maryland Insurance Administration, malpractice
13 providers, and any other relevant stakeholders, shall study ways that interstate telehealth
14 can be expanded to allow State residents to use telehealth to receive health services from
15 out-of-state practitioners, including:

16 (1) how to address the insurance implications, including malpractice
17 insurance;

18 (2) the use of interstate health compacts;

19 (3) how to alter licensure requirements and the impact an expansion would
20 have on Maryland-based health practitioners; and

21 (4) any other areas the Maryland Health Care Commission considers
22 relevant.

23 (b) On or before December 1, 2023, the Maryland Health Care Commission shall
24 submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the Senate Finance Committee and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of
2 the State Government Article.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
4 1, 2022.