

HOUSE BILL 876

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CF SB 644

By: **Delegate Smith**

Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2023

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maternal Mortality Review Program – Local Teams – Access to Information and**
3 **Records**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the information to which a local maternal mortality review
5 team is to be provided access on request of the chair of the team; requiring that a
6 local team be provided immediate access to requested information; and generally
7 relating to access to information and records by local maternal mortality review
8 teams.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Health – General
11 Section 13–1209
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Health – General**

17 13–1209.

18 On request of the chair of the local team and as necessary to carry out the local team’s
19 purpose and duties, the local team shall be provided:

20 (1) [Access] **IMMEDIATE ACCESS** to all [relevant] information and records
21 [in accordance with the local team’s data use agreement with the Department],
22 **INCLUDING INFORMATION ON PRENATAL CARE MAINTAINED BY A HEALTH CARE**
23 **PROVIDER REGARDING A WOMAN WHOSE DEATH IS BEING REVIEWED BY THE LOCAL**
24 **TEAM**; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) [Access] **IMMEDIATE ACCESS**, to the extent allowed by law, to all
2 information and records maintained by any State or local government agency, law
3 enforcement investigative information, medical examiner investigative information, parole
4 and probation information and records, and information and records of a social services
5 agency that provided services to a woman whose death is being reviewed by the local team.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2023.