

House Bill 836 (COVID-19 Testing, Contact Tracing, and Vaccination Act of 2021)

First Reader, Proposed Amendments

AMENDMENT 1

On page 15, line 9, after “Section.” Add “SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT THE LAWS OF MARYLAND READ AS FOLLOWS: ARTICLE – HEALTH GENERAL 17-215(B)(3)(IV) SHALL PROVIDE AN ITEMIZED RECEIPT WITH ALL INFORMATION NEEDED FOR A CONSUMER TO SUBMIT A CLAIM, INCLUDING DIAGNOSTIC CODES (CURRENT ICD CODE), PROCEDURE CODES (CURRENT CPT CODE), ITEMIZED COSTS FOR LAB TESTS AND PHYSICIAN OVERSIGHT, EIN (ALSO KNOWN AS TAX ID NUMBER), AND NPI #.”

AMENDMENT 2

On page 6, line 4, after “Populations.” Add “(D) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE HEAU, THE MIA, HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS, AND OTHER RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS, SHALL INCLUDE IN THE PLAN REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION, BILLING STANDARDS FOR COVID-19 TESTING PROVIDERS, INCLUDING WHEN AND WHAT PROVIDERS CAN CHARGE AND REQUIRED PRE-TESTING NOTIFICATION ABOUT POTENTIAL OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS TO PATIENTS, WHEN APPLICABLE.”

RATIONALE

The HEAU's letter of support with amendments explains the reasons for the proposed amendments.