

(2) FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,000 OR IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR OR BOTH.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

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May 28, 1985

The Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1660.

This bill provides that health insurance policies or contracts issued in Maryland may not exclude benefits for all outpatient expenses arising from in vitro fertilization procedures for a covered subscriber or policy holder.

Senate Bill 793, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 28, 1985, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1660.

Sincerely,  
Harry Hughes  
Governor

House Bill No. 1660

AN ACT concerning

Insurance - In Vitro Fertilization

FOR--the--purpose--of requiring--that--each providing--that--a health insurance--policy--certificate--or--contract--issued--in--the--State include may--not--exclude benefits--for inpatient--and all outpatient--expenses--arising--from--in--vitro--fertilization procedures--performed--on--the--policy,--certificate,--or--contract holder--or--the--holder's--dependent--spouse,--and--specifying certain--restrictions--on--the--provision--