

# SENATE BILL 1002

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By: **Senator Mathias**

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Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health Insurance – Uniform Claims Form – Electronic Submission by Insured**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing an insured, a member, or a subscriber to submit a  
4 certain claims form by electronic transfer, under certain circumstances;  
5 specifying when an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, or a health  
6 maintenance organization must comply with this Act; and generally relating to  
7 submission of a claims form under health insurance.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Insurance  
10 Section 15–1004(a)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Insurance  
15 Section 15–1004(b)(1)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Insurance**

21 15–1004.

22 (a) For services rendered by a person entitled to reimbursement under §  
23 15–701(a) of this title or by a hospital, as defined in § 19–301 of the Health – General  
24 Article, an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) shall accept the uniform claims form and any attachments  
2 approved or adopted by the Commissioner under § 15–1003 of this subtitle:

3 (i) as a properly filed claim with all necessary documentation;  
4 and

5 (ii) as the sole instrument for reimbursement; and

6 (2) may not impose as a condition of reimbursement a requirement to:

7 (i) modify the uniform claims form or its content; or

8 (ii) submit additional claims forms.

9 (b) (1) A uniform claims form submitted under this section:

10 (I) shall be completed properly; and

11 (II) may be submitted by electronic transfer BY:

12 1. A PERSON ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT UNDER  
13 § 15–701(A) OF THIS TITLE;

14 2. A HOSPITAL, AS DEFINED IN § 19–301 OF THE  
15 HEALTH – GENERAL ARTICLE; OR

16 3. FOR COVERED SERVICES PAID FOR  
17 OUT OF POCKET, AN INSURED, A MEMBER, OR A SUBSCRIBER.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That an insurer, a nonprofit  
19 health service plan, or a health maintenance organization shall comply with this Act  
20 on the earlier of:

21 (1) the date that the claims processing system of the insurer, nonprofit  
22 health service plan, or health maintenance organization is capable of complying with  
23 the Act; or

24 (2) October 1, 2016.

25 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
26 October 1, 2014.