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Women, Infants, and Children - Reports

2	Maryland Department of Health - Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with certain stakeholders, to report certain information regarding the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, 11 That:

- (a) On or before December 1, 2019, and each year thereafter, the Maryland Department of Health, after consultation with the Maryland Alliance for the Poor, local health departments, MedChi, the Maryland State Medical Society, and other interested stakeholders, shall submit a report on the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article.
- 20 (b) The report shall include:
- 21 (1) for the previous fiscal year, by jurisdiction:
- 22 (i) the number of women, infants, and children receiving WIC; and
- 23 (ii) the number of women, infants, and children eligible for, but not 24 receiving, WIC;



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1	(2) barriers to increasing program enrollment; and
2 3	(3) recommendations on changes to program policies and procedures to increase participation rates.
4	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
5	1, 2019. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and 1 month and, at the end of June
6	30, 2022, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be
7	abrogated and of no further force and effect.