

EFFECT OF MARYLAND COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS - MONETARY RELIEF
ACT HAS HAD ON PERSONS AGAINST WHOM COMPLAINTS HAVE BEEN FILED
UNDER TITLE 20 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE

Maryland Commission on Civil Rights

September 2025



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RE: SB 666, Ch. 344(2), 2024 and (MSAR # 15506)

Governor Moore, Senate President Ferguson, and Speaker Jones,

In accordance with Chapter 344, Section 2 of the 2024 Acts of the Maryland General Assembly, the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights (“MCCR”; “Commission”) submits this report. Chapter 344, Section 1 has not had a measurable impact “on persons against whom complaints have been filed under Title 20 of the State Government Article.” There is no measurable impact because since October 1, 2024, MCCR has not (1) received a substantial increase in inquiries and complaints alleging unlawful discrimination by a place of public accommodation, and (2) sought an order awarding monetary relief to a Complainant under Md. Code Ann., State Gov. Art. § 20-1016. Furthermore, as will be detailed in MCCR’s Annual Report due on January 1, 2026, settlements secured during investigation of complaints alleging unlawful public accommodation discrimination did not increase beyond historical trends and expectations.

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“Our vision is to have a State that is free from any trace of unlawful discrimination.”