

# HOUSE BILL 1632

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By: **Delegate Dumais**

Introduced and read first time: February 21, 2020

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Child Support – Extraordinary Medical Expenses**

3 FOR the purpose of clarifying that the calculation of extraordinary medical expenses for  
4 the purpose of determining a parental child support obligation under the child  
5 support guidelines includes the cumulative contributions of both parents; and  
6 generally relating to parental child support obligations under the child support  
7 guidelines.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Family Law  
10 Section 12–201(a)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2019 Replacement Volume)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Family Law  
15 Section 12–201(g)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2019 Replacement Volume)

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

20 **Article – Family Law**

21 12–201.

22 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

23 (g) (1) “Extraordinary medical expenses” means uninsured costs for medical

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 treatment in excess of \$250 **PAID CUMULATIVELY BY BOTH PARENTS** in any calendar  
2 year.

3 (2) “Extraordinary medical expenses” includes uninsured, reasonable, and  
4 necessary costs for orthodontia, dental treatment, vision care, asthma treatment, physical  
5 therapy, treatment for any chronic health problem, and professional counseling or  
6 psychiatric therapy for diagnosed mental disorders.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
8 October 1, 2020.