

SENATE BILL 242

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ENROLLED BILL

— *Finance/Health and Government Operations* —

Introduced by **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Social Work Examiners – Sunset Extension**

3 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Social Work Examiners in accordance
4 with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act by extending to a
5 certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory
6 authority of the Board; requiring the Board to report certain information relating to
7 the issuance of licenses and the resolution of complaints to certain committees of the
8 General Assembly; and generally relating to the State Board of Social Work
9 Examiners.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Health Occupations
12 Section 19–201
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
2 Article – Health Occupations
3 Section 19–502
4 Annotated Code of Maryland
5 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

8 **Article – Health Occupations**

9 19–201.

10 There is a State Board of Social Work Examiners in the Department.

11 19–502.

12 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program
13 Evaluation Act, this title and all rules and regulations adopted under this title shall
14 terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2025] ~~2028~~ 2030.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1,
16 2024, the State Board of Social Work Examiners shall report to the Senate Finance
17 Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance
18 with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the following information for the
19 immediately preceding 6–month period:

20 (1) the average processing time, calculated from the date that the last
21 required document was received, for issuing:

22 (i) initial licenses; and

23 (ii) renewal licenses;

24 (2) the average length of time required to resolve a complaint; and

25 (3) the rate of compliance with the requirements of § 19–303(b) of the
26 Health Occupations Article.

27 SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
28 July 1, 2024.