

# HOUSE BILL 141

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By: **Delegate Elliott**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Pharmacy – Sending Renewal Notices by Electronic Means**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Pharmacy to send renewal notices  
4 by electronic means to licensed pharmacists, pharmacy and distribution permit  
5 holders, and registered pharmacy technicians; and generally relating to the  
6 State Board of Pharmacy sending renewal notices by electronic means.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article – Health Occupations  
9 Section 12–308(b), 12–407(b), 12–602(j)(2), and 12–6B–07(b)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Health Occupations**

15 12–308.

16 (b) At least 1 month before the license expires, the Board shall send to the  
17 licensee, by first–class mail **OR ELECTRONIC MEANS** to the last known address of the  
18 licensee, a renewal notice that states:

19 (1) The date on which the current license expires;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   (2)    The date by which the renewal application must be received by the  
2 Board for the renewal to be issued and mailed before the license expires; and

3                   (3)    The amount of the renewal fee.

4 12-407.

5           (b)    On or before November 1 of each year, the Board shall send to each  
6 pharmacy permit holder, by first-class mail **OR ELECTRONIC MEANS** to the last  
7 known address of the **PHARMACY PERMIT** holder:

8                   (1)    A pharmacy permit renewal application form for each pharmacy  
9 permit held; and

10                  (2)    A renewal notice that states:

11                           (i)    The date on which the current pharmacy permits expire;

12                                   (ii)    The date by which the renewal applications must be received  
13 by the Board for the renewals to be issued and mailed before the pharmacy permits  
14 expire; and

15                                   (iii)    The amount of the renewal fee for each pharmacy permit.

16 12-602.

17           (j)    (2)    At least 1 month before a distribution permit expires, the Board  
18 shall send to the distribution permit holder, by first-class mail **OR ELECTRONIC**  
19 **MEANS** to the last known address of the distribution permit holder, a renewal notice  
20 that contains a statement of:

21                           (i)    The date on which the current distribution permit expires;

22                                   (ii)    The date by which the renewal application must be received  
23 by the Board for the renewal to be issued and mailed before the distribution permit  
24 expires; and

25                                   (iii)    The amount of the renewal fee.

26 12-6B-07.

1           (b)    At least 1 month before a registration expires, the Board shall send to the  
2 registered pharmacy technician, by first-class mail **OR ELECTRONIC MEANS** to the  
3 last known address of the registered pharmacy technician, a renewal notice that  
4 states:

5                   (1)    The date on which the registration expires;

6                   (2)    The date by which the renewal application must be received by the  
7 Board for the renewal to be issued and mailed before the pharmacy technician's  
8 registration expires; and

9                   (3)    The amount of the renewal fee.

10           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
11 October 1, 2007.