

# HOUSE BILL 597

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Physicians – Polysomnographic Technologists – Education**  
3 **and Licensing Requirements**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Physicians to waive certain education  
5 requirements for certain polysomnographic technologists who meet certain  
6 requirements by a certain date; altering the date by which an individual must  
7 be licensed before the individual may practice polysomnography in the State;  
8 and generally relating to education and licensing requirements for  
9 polysomnographic technologists.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
11 Article – Health Occupations  
12 Section 14–5C–01(b)  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 Article – Health Occupations  
17 Section 14–5C–08 and 14–5C–10  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

22 **Article – Health Occupations**

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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.



1 14-5C-01.

2 (b) "Board" means the State Board of Physicians.

3 14-5C-08.

4 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, on or after October 1,  
5 [2009] ~~2012~~ 2011, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual  
6 may practice polysomnography in this State.

7 (b) This section does not apply to a student enrolled in an education program  
8 under § 14-5C-09(c)(3) of this subtitle while practicing polysomnography in that  
9 program.

10 14-5C-10.

11 (a) The Board shall waive the education requirement under § 14-5C-09(c)(3)  
12 of this subtitle if on or before September 30, [2009] ~~2012~~ 2011, an individual:

13 (1) Has passed the national certifying examination by the Board of  
14 Registered Polysomnographic Technologists;

15 (2) Is certified by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic  
16 Technologists as a registered polysomnographic technologist;

17 (3) Has submitted an application for licensure to the Board; and

18 (4) Meets all of the requirements under § 14-5C-09(b) and (c)(1) and  
19 (2) of this subtitle.

20 (b) (1) If an individual has not satisfied the requirements under  
21 subsection (a) of this section on or before September 30, [2009] ~~2012~~ 2011, the  
22 individual may petition the Board for an extension.

23 (2) The Board shall determine whether to grant an extension under  
24 this subsection on a case-by-case basis.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
26 October 1, 2009.