

Chapter 132

(House Bill 134)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before a certain date; requiring the Board to submit a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 9–702
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(36)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume)

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

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

9–702.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2013] **2024**.

Article – State Government

8–403.

(a) On or before December 15 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this section.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a) of this section, on or before the evaluation date for the following governmental activities or units, an evaluation shall be made of the following governmental activities or units and the statutes and regulations that relate to the governmental activities or units:

(36) Landscape Architects, State Board of Examiners of (§ 9–201 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article: July 1, [2012] **2023**);

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects, in conjunction with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on its consideration of:

(1) instituting a continuing education requirement for landscape architects; and

(2) allowing individuals who have a college degree in a field related to landscape architecture to sit for the licensing examination under the academic option as described in § 9–303 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2010.

Approved by the Governor, April 13, 2010.