

# HOUSE BILL 64

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By: **The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**

Introduced and read first time: January 20, 2011

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset**  
3 **Extension and Program Evaluation**

4 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home  
5 Administrators in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program  
6 Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a certain date the termination  
7 provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board;  
8 requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that  
9 relate to the Board be performed on or before a certain date; requiring the  
10 Board to submit a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly  
11 on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of  
12 Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Health Occupations  
15 Section 9–502  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
19 Article – State Government  
20 Section 8–403(a)  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

23 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
24 Article – State Government  
25 Section 8–403(b)(42)  
26 Annotated Code of Maryland  
27 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

3 **Article – Health Occupations**

4 9–502.

5 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Program  
6 Evaluation Act, this title and all rules and regulations adopted under this title shall  
7 terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2013] **2017**.

8 **Article – State Government**

9 8–403.

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

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

18 (42) Nursing Home Administrators, State Board of Examiners of  
19 (§ 9–201 of the Health Occupations Article: July 1, [2012] **2016**);

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before October 1,  
21 2011, the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators shall submit a  
22 report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government  
23 Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article,  
24 on:

25 (1) a plan to improve the timeliness and functioning of its disciplinary  
26 process, including the complaint investigation process;

27 (2) a jointly developed plan to improve communication between the  
28 Board and the Department of Aging’s Long Term Care Ombudsman Program;

29 (3) a review of trends in licensing, with a focus on new licenses issued,  
30 the stability of renewal of licenses, and licensees on inactive status;

31 (4) implementation of an online renewal process;

32 (5) implementation of the planned database to track deficiency survey  
33 reports;

1                   (6)    implementation of new and revised regulations proposed through  
2 the Regulatory Review and Evaluation Process in 2009, including those relating to the  
3 Administrator-in-Training program, the disciplinary process, and new causes for  
4 disciplinary action; and

5                   (7)    the additional revenue generated from alterations to the fee  
6 structure through proposed regulatory changes.

7                   SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
8 July 1, 2011.