Chapter 107

(House Bill 183)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Nursing – Electrologists – Examination and License Term

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Nursing to approve an examination and clinical examination relating to the licensure of electrologists; altering the term of a license beginning on a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of Nursing and the examination and license term of an electrologist license.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Health Occupations Section 8–6B–08 and 8–6B–14(b) Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Health Occupations Section 8–6B–14(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

Article – Health Occupations

8–6B–08.

(a) To qualify for a license, an applicant shall be an individual who submits to a criminal history records check in accordance with § 8-303 of this title and meets the requirements of this section.

- (b) The applicant shall be of good moral character.
- (c) The applicant shall be at least 18 years old.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, an applicant shall be a high school graduate or have completed equivalent education and have completed satisfactorily:

(1) An electrology education program, taught by a licensed electrology instructor, that includes at least 600 hours of instruction, and has been approved by the Board; or

(2) An electrology education program in any other state that the Board determines is substantially equivalent to that required by item (1) of this subsection.

(e) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, each applicant shall pass:

(i) [A national certification] **AN** examination [developed by the American Electrology Association or its successor, as] approved by the Board; and

(ii) A clinical examination [administered] APPROVED by the Board.

(2) Applicants are responsible for scheduling the [national and clinical] examinations **REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION**.

(f) In addition to the other requirements of this section, an applicant for an electrology instructor license shall:

(1) Be a licensed electrologist;

(2) Have practiced electrology actively for at least 5 years immediately before the application;

(3) Pass an examination approved by the Board; and

(4) Meet any other requirements set forth in regulations adopted by the Board under § 8-6B-03 of this subtitle.

8–6B–14.

(a) A license expires on a date set by the Board, unless the license is renewed for an additional term as provided in this section.

(b) (1) [A] ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2012, A license may not be renewed for a term longer than 1 year.

(2) BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2013, A LICENSE MAY NOT BE RENEWED FOR A TERM LONGER THAN 2 YEARS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2011.

Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2011.