

HOUSE BILL 582

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By: ~~Delegate Beidle~~ **Delegates Beidle and Parrott**

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 11, 2014

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Licensed Tree Experts – Notification**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a licensed tree expert to provide certain notice to the
4 Department of Natural Resources of the status of any company that engages in
5 the business or work of the treatment, care, or removal of trees under the tree
6 expert's license and of the liability and property damage insurance and workers'
7 compensation insurance carried by each company; and generally relating to
8 required notifications by licensed tree experts.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Natural Resources
11 Section 5–417
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Natural Resources**

17 5–417.

18 (A) (1) A person may not engage in the work or business of a tree expert
19 without a license issued under the provisions of this part.

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 **(2)** An employee under the supervision of a licensed tree expert may
2 not be required to have a license in the name of the employee.

3 **(B) A LICENSED TREE EXPERT SHALL WITHIN A TIME PERIOD**
4 **ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT**
5 **ELECTRONICALLY OF:**

6 **(1) ANY COMPANY THAT ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OR WORK OF**
7 **THE TREATMENT, CARE, OR REMOVAL OF TREES FOR COMPENSATION UNDER**
8 **THE TREE EXPERT'S LICENSE, AND ANY CHANGES TO THAT STATUS; AND**

9 **(2) THE LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE AND**
10 **WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE CARRIED BY ~~A~~ ANY COMPANY THAT**
11 **ENGAGES OR WORKS UNDER THE TREE EXPERT'S LICENSE, AND ANY CHANGES**
12 **TO THE INSURANCE.**

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2014.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.