

HOUSE BILL 569

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vital Statistics and Records – Definition of Licensed Health Care Practitioner –**
3 **Physician Assistant**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “licensed health care practitioner” for the
5 purposes of certain provisions of law governing vital statistics and records to include
6 a physician assistant licensed under certain provisions of law; and generally relating
7 to vital statistics and records and licensed health care practitioners.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Health – General
10 Section 4–201(l)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Health – General**

16 4–201.

17 (l) “Licensed health care practitioner” means:

18 (1) An individual who is:

19 (i) A physician licensed under Title 14 of the Health Occupations
20 Article;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (ii) A psychologist licensed under Title 18 of the Health Occupations
2 Article;

3 (iii) A registered nurse licensed and certified to practice as a nurse
4 practitioner, nurse psychotherapist, or clinical nurse specialist under Title 8 of the Health
5 Occupations Article;

6 (iv) A licensed certified social worker–clinical licensed under Title 19
7 of the Health Occupations Article; or

8 (v) **A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSED UNDER TITLE 15 OF THE**
9 **HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE; OR**

10 (2) An individual who:

11 (i) Is licensed to practice a profession listed in item (1) of this
12 subsection in another state; and

13 (ii) Meets the requirements under the Health Occupations Article to
14 qualify for a license to practice the profession in this State.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
16 October 1, 2018.