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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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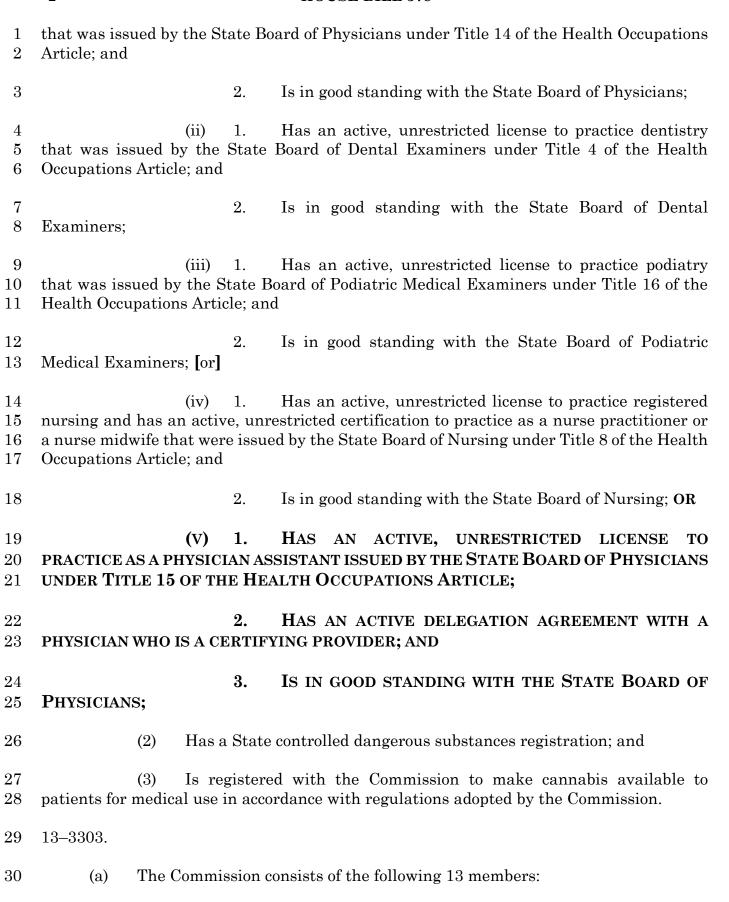
Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission - Certifying Providers

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "certifying provider" to include certain
- 4 physician assistants; altering the membership of the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical
- 5 Cannabis Commission; making stylistic changes; making a conforming change; and
- 6 generally relating to the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 8 Article Health General
- 9 Section 13–3301(a)
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2019 Replacement Volume)
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 13 Article Health General
- 14 Section 13–3301(d) and 13–3303(a)
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2019 Replacement Volume)
- 17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 19 Article Health General
- 20 13–3301.
- 21 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- 22 (d) "Certifying provider" means an individual who:
- 23 (1) (i) 1. Has an active, unrestricted license to practice medicine



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The Secretary of Health, or the Secretary's designee; and

$\frac{1}{2}$	(2) The following 5 members, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate:
3 4	(i) Two licensed noncertified providers who are [physicians, dentists, podiatrists,]:
5	1. Physicians;
6	2. Dentists;
7	3. Podiatrists;
8	4. [nurse] NURSE practitioners[, or];
9	5. [nurse] NURSE midwives; OR
10	6. Physician assistants;
11 12	(ii) One nurse or other health care provider licensed in the State who has experience in hospice care, nominated by a State hospice trade association;
13 14	(iii) One pharmacist licensed in the State, nominated by a State research institution or trade association; and
15 16	(iv) One scientist who has experience in the science of cannabis, nominated by a State research institution;
17 18	(3) Four members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate;
19 20	(4) One member appointed by the Governor from a list of three individuals recommended by the President of the Senate;
21 22	(5) One member appointed by the Governor from a list of three individuals recommended by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; and
23 24	(6) One member appointed by the Governor from either of the two lists described in items (4) and (5) of this subsection.
25 26	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2020.