



THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF DELEGATES
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HB1195

Income Tax-Credits for Preceptors in Areas With Health Care Workforce Shortages – Eligibility and Sunset Repeal

- ***Why is the Bill being introduced?***

In 2016 the General Assembly established the preceptor tax credit program which provides tax credits for licensed physicians or nurse practitioners who serve without compensation in an approved preceptorship program. Although the current program has been successful, some concerns have been raised about the eligibility requirements for preceptors.

- ***What does the Bill do?***

Currently, preceptors must work three rotations, each consisting of 160 hours of community-based clinical training, in an area identified by the Department of Health as having workforce shortages. House Bill 1195 will reduce the hours of each rotation to 100 hours of community-based clinical training. As this program is self-funded through a \$15 renewal fee, reducing the hours will allow more preceptors to qualify for the credit. In addition, House Bill 1195 removes the current sunset of June 30, 2021.

- ***Why is it important to pass now?***

The current pandemic has exacerbated the need to bring qualified healthcare providers to our underserved areas and House Bill 1195 is an extension of our efforts.