

SENATE BILL 243

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By: **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**

Requested: September 8, 2023

Introduced and read first time: January 10, 2024

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists – Behavior Analyst**
3 **Advisory Committee – Sunset Extension**

4 FOR the purpose of continuing the Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee within the State
5 Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists in accordance with the provisions
6 of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a certain date
7 the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the
8 Committee; and generally relating to the Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee
9 within the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Health Occupations
12 Section 17–201 and 17–6A–05
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Health Occupations
17 Section 17–6A–31
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

22 **Article – Health Occupations**

23 17–201.

24 There is a State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 17-6A-05.

2 There is a Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee within the Board.

3 17-6A-31.

4 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the **MARYLAND**
5 Program Evaluation Act, this subtitle and all rules and regulations adopted under this
6 subtitle shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, **[2024] 2026**.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
8 1, 2024.