

Chapter 32

(House Bill 146)

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations Boards – Reciprocal Licensure and Certification

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain health occupations boards to adopt regulations establishing reciprocity for individuals licensed or certified in another state ~~or jurisdiction~~; and generally relating to health occupations boards and reciprocal licensure and certification.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–229
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

Article – Health Occupations**1–229.**

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO A HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD THAT DOES NOT OTHERWISE HAVE STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO ISSUE LICENSES OR CERTIFICATIONS UNDER THIS ARTICLE BY RECIPROCITY.

(B) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, A HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH RECIPROCITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LICENSED OR CERTIFIED IN ANOTHER STATE ~~OR JURISDICTION~~ THAT OFFERS SIMILAR RECIPROCITY TO INDIVIDUALS LICENSED OR CERTIFIED BY THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

(C) REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY A HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL REQUIRE THAT AN APPLICANT:

(1) BE LICENSED OR CERTIFIED IN ANOTHER STATE ~~OR JURISDICTION~~ UNDER REQUIREMENTS THAT THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD DETERMINES ARE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO ITS LICENSING OR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS ARTICLE;

**(2) BE IN GOOD STANDING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE OTHER STATE
~~OR JURISDICTION;~~**

**(3) SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD
ON A FORM THAT THE BOARD REQUIRES;**

**(4) PAY TO THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD AN APPLICATION FEE
SET BY THE BOARD; AND**

**(5) SATISFY ANY OTHER REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY STATUTE
OR REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARD.**

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

Approved by the Governor, April 9, 2024.