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By: **Chairman, Judiciary Committee**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Law Examiners**

3 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Law Examiners by extending to a
4 certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory
5 authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the
6 statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before a
7 certain date; altering the maximum examination fee for applicants for
8 admission to the Bar; requiring the Board to report to certain committees of the
9 General Assembly on or before a certain date; making a certain technical
10 change; and generally relating to the State Board of Law Examiners.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
13 Section 10-208 and 10-218
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
17 Article - State Government
18 Section 8-403(d)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

21 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
22 Article - State Government
23 Section 8-403(e)
24 Annotated Code of Maryland
25 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

26 BY adding to
27 Article - State Government
28 Section 8-403(k)
29 Annotated Code of Maryland

1 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

4 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

5 10-208.

6 (a) An applicant for admission to the Bar shall submit to the Board a petition
7 to the Court of Appeals on the form that the Board provides.

8 (b) An applicant shall pay to the Board:

9 (1) an examination fee not exceeding [\$100] \$200, as set by the Court of
10 Appeals; and

11 (2) any other fee set by the Court of Appeals.

12 10-218.

13 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland
14 Program Evaluation Act, this subtitle shall terminate and be of no effect after [July
15 1, 1999] JULY 1, 2014.

16 **Article - State Government**

17 8-403.

18 (d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, on or before
19 July 1, 2003, an evaluation shall be made of the following governmental activities or
20 units and the statutes and regulations that relate to the governmental activities or
21 units:

22 (1) State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board (§ 3-303 of the
23 Business Regulation Article);

24 (2) Apprenticeship and Training Council (§ 11-403 of the Labor and
25 Employment Article);

26 (3) State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers,
27 and Speech-Language Pathologists (§ 2-101 of the Health Occupations Article);

28 (4) State Office for Children, Youth, and Families (Article 49D, § 1 of the
29 Code);

30 (5) State Board of Electrologists (§ 6-201 of the Health Occupations
31 Article);

32 (6) State Board of Foresters (§ 7-201 of the Business Occupations and
33 Professions Article);

- 1 (7) Office for Individuals with Disabilities (§ 9-1102 of the State
2 Government Article);
- 3 (8) Division of Labor and Industry (Title 2 of the Labor and Employment
4 Article);
- 5 [(9) State Board of Law Examiners (§ 10-201 of the Business Occupations
6 and Professions Article);
- 7 (10)] (9) Occupational Safety and Health Advisory Board (§ 5-302 of the
8 Labor and Employment Article);
- 9 [(11)] (10) State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice (§ 10-201 of the
10 Health Occupations Article);
- 11 [(12)] (11) State Board of Pilots (§ 11-201 of the Business Occupations
12 and Professions Article);
- 13 [(13)] (12) Advisory Council on Prevailing Wage Rates (§ 17-203 of the
14 State Finance and Procurement Article);
- 15 [(14)] (13) State Board of Public Accountancy (§ 2-201 of the Business
16 Occupations and Professions Article);
- 17 [(15)] (14) State Board of Social Work Examiners (§ 19-201 of the Health
18 Occupations Article);
- 19 [(16)] (15) State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors (§
20 17-201 of the Health Occupations Article);
- 21 [(17)] (16) Governor's Council on Adolescent Pregnancy (Article 49D, §
22 21 of the Code);
- 23 [(18)] (17) State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers (§ 16-201 of the
24 Business Occupations and Professions Article);
- 25 [(19)] (18) State Physician Assistant Advisory Committee (§ 15-101 of
26 the Health Occupations Article);
- 27 [(20)] (19) State Board of Certified Interior Designers (§ 8-101 of the
28 Business Occupations and Professions Article); and
- 29 [(21)] (20) The licensing and regulation of security system technicians (§
30 18-101 of the Business Occupations AND PROFESSIONS Article).
- 31 (e) On or before November 30 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a
32 governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a
33 preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this
34 section.

1 (K) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION,
2 ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2014, AN EVALUATION SHALL BE MADE OF THE STATE BOARD
3 OF LAW EXAMINERS.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Board of Law
5 Examiners shall report to the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee and the House
6 Judiciary Committee on or before October 1, 1999, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the
7 State Government Article, on the implementation of the recommendations of the
8 Department of Legislative Services contained in the sunset evaluation report dated
9 October 31, 1998.

10 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 July 1, 1999.