

## CHAPTER 261

(Senate Bill 433)

AN ACT concerning

### **State Board of Physicians – Polysomnographic Technologists – Education and Licensing Requirements**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Physicians to waive certain education requirements for certain polysomnographic technologists who meet certain requirements by a certain date; altering the date by which an individual must be licensed before the individual may practice polysomnography in the State; and generally relating to education and licensing requirements for polysomnographic technologists.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Health Occupations  
Section 14–5C–01(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Health Occupations  
Section 14–5C–08 and 14–5C–10  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

#### **Article – Health Occupations**

14–5C–01.

(b) “Board” means the State Board of Physicians.

14–5C–08.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, on or after October 1, [2009] ~~2012~~ 2011, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice polysomnography in this State.

(b) This section does not apply to a student enrolled in an education program under § 14-5C-09(c)(3) of this subtitle while practicing polysomnography in that program.

14-5C-10.

(a) The Board shall waive the education requirement under § 14-5C-09(c)(3) of this subtitle if on or before September 30, [2009] ~~2012~~ 2011, an individual:

(1) Has passed the national certifying examination by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists;

(2) Is certified by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists as a registered polysomnographic technologist;

(3) Has submitted an application for licensure to the Board; and

(4) Meets all of the requirements under § 14-5C-09(b) and (c)(1) and (2) of this subtitle.

(b) (1) If an individual has not satisfied the requirements under subsection (a) of this section on or before September 30, [2009] ~~2012~~ 2011, the individual may petition the Board for an extension.

(2) The Board shall determine whether to grant an extension under this subsection on a case-by-case basis.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

**Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.**