

HOUSE BILL 1256

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Introduced and read first time: February 7, 2020

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Nursing Home Administrators – License Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of altering certain training and experience requirements for certain
4 nursing home administrator license applicants; requiring, rather than authorizing,
5 the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators to waive certain
6 education requirements for certain individuals; requiring the Board to waive certain
7 examination requirements for certain individuals; and generally relating to nursing
8 home administrator license requirements.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Health Occupations
11 Section 9–302(d) and (e)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
15 Article – Health Occupations
16 Section 9–302(g)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Health Occupations**

22 9–302.

23 (d) (1) The applicant shall:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (i) 1. Have a baccalaureate or master's degree in health care
2 administration from an accredited college or university; or

3 2. A. Have a baccalaureate or master's degree in a field
4 other than health care administration from an accredited college or university; and

5 B. Have satisfactorily completed a minimum of 100 hours in
6 a course of study in health care administration approved by the Board; and

7 (ii) 1. Have completed an administrator-in-training program
8 approved by the Board **THAT IS NOT MORE THAN 320 HOURS OF EITHER FULL-TIME**
9 **OR PART-TIME TRAINING WITHIN 1 YEAR; [or]**

10 2. Have completed 1 year of full-time nursing home
11 administration in a nursing home; **OR**

12 **3. HAVE COMPLETED 1 YEAR OF FULL-TIME HOSPITAL**
13 **ADMINISTRATION IN A HOSPITAL.**

14 (2) The requirements of paragraph (1) of this subsection do not apply to an
15 individual who:

16 (i) Was in possession of a valid license on December 15, 1988; or

17 (ii) 1. Had applied for a license by December 15, 1988; and

18 2. Met all of the other requirements for licensure.

19 (e) The Board [may] **SHALL** waive [any]:

20 **(1) ANY** education requirement of subsection (d) of this section for an
21 individual who was licensed, **IN GOOD STANDING**, and practiced as a nursing home
22 administrator for at least [3 years] **1 YEAR** in another state; **AND**

23 **(2) THE EXAMINATION REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION (G) OF THIS**
24 **SECTION FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS LICENSED, IN GOOD STANDING, AND**
25 **PRACTICED AS A NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS IN**
26 **ANOTHER STATE.**

27 (g) Except as otherwise provided in this title, the applicant shall pass an
28 examination given by the Board under this subtitle.

29 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, That this Act shall take effect
30 October 1, 2020.