

# HOUSE BILL 708

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By: **Delegate Krebs**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Dental Examiners – Dispositions and Summary Suspensions**  
3 **– Time Periods**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Dental Examiners to dispose of certain  
5 disciplinary matters within a certain period of time after a certain hearing;  
6 authorizing a certain licensee to provide certain written notice that a decision is due;  
7 establishing that a certain decision shall be construed in a certain manner under  
8 certain circumstances; requiring the Board to issue a certain order on a certain  
9 summary suspension within a certain period of time; and generally relating to  
10 dispositions and summary suspensions and the State Board of Dental Examiners.

11 BY adding to  
12 Article – Health Occupations  
13 Section 4–318.1  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Health Occupations**

19 **4–318.1.**

20 **(A) UNLESS OTHERWISE PRECLUDED BY LAW, THE BOARD SHALL DISPOSE**  
21 **OF A MATTER REGARDING THE DISCIPLINE OF A LICENSEE WITHIN 90 DAYS AFTER**  
22 **THE DATE OF ANY HEARING HELD UNDER § 4–318 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

23 **(B) (1) IF THE BOARD DOES NOT DISPOSE OF A MATTER REGARDING THE**  
24 **DISCIPLINE OF A LICENSEE WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 THIS SECTION, THE LICENSEE MAY PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE BOARD THAT  
2 THE DECISION IS DUE.

3 (2) IF THE BOARD DOES NOT DISPOSE OF A MATTER REGARDING THE  
4 DISCIPLINE OF A LICENSEE WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF A NOTICE PROVIDED  
5 UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DECISION SHALL BE DEEMED TO  
6 BE IN FAVOR OF THE LICENSEE.

7 (C) IF THE BOARD SUMMARILY SUSPENDS A LICENSE UNDER § 10-226 OF  
8 THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE A FINAL,  
9 APPEALABLE ORDER ON THE SUMMARY SUSPENSION WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE  
10 DATE OF THE SUMMARY SUSPENSION.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 October 1, 2021.