

# SENATE BILL 728

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By: **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2023

Assigned to: Finance

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Examiners in Optometry – Sunset Extension**

3 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Examiners in Optometry in accordance  
4 with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by  
5 extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and  
6 regulatory authority of the Board; and generally relating to the State Board of  
7 Examiners in Optometry.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Health Occupations  
10 Section 11–201  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Health Occupations  
15 Section 11–602  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Health Occupations**

21 11–201.

22 There is a State Board of Examiners in Optometry in the Department.

23 11–602.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the **MARYLAND**  
2 Program Evaluation Act, this title and all rules and regulations adopted under this title  
3 shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2023] **2026**.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
5 1, 2023.