Chapter 843

## (House Bill 959)

## AN ACT concerning

## Health Occupations - Certified Dialysis Technicians - Continuing Education Requirement

FOR the purpose of altering the continuing education requirement for certified dialysis technicians; and generally relating to certified dialysis technicians.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 8–6A–08(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

## **Article - Health Occupations**

8-6A-08.

- (e) Before a certificate expires, a dialysis technician periodically may renew it for an additional term, if the certificate holder:
  - (1) Otherwise is entitled to be certified;
- (2) Submits to the Board a renewal application on the form that the Board requires;
  - (3) Pays to the Board a renewal fee set by the Board;
  - (4) Has completed:
- (i) 1. 16 hours of practice as a dialysis technician in the 2-year period immediately preceding the date of expiration; and
- 2. [A 3-hour] **3 HOURS OF** continuing education [course] approved by the Board; or
- (ii) A dialysis technician training program approved by the Board; and

(5) Has an active national certification listed in § 8-6A-01(c)(2) of this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  $\frac{July}{June}$  1, 2024.

Approved by the Governor, May 16, 2024.