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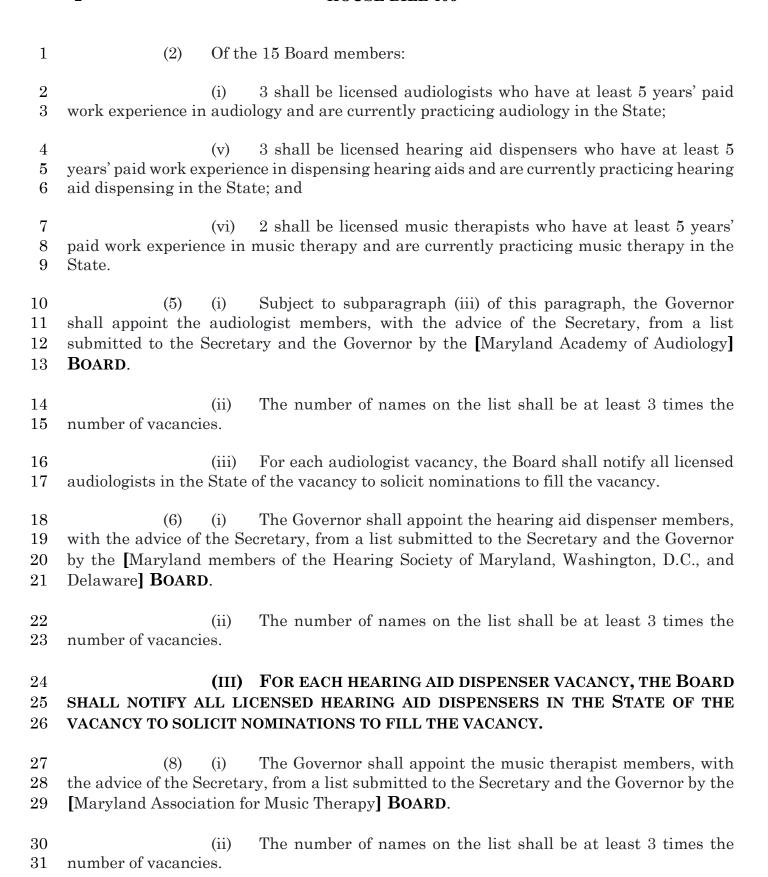
By: Delegates Guzzone, Hill, Shetty, White Holland, and Woods

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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3 4	State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech-Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists - Appointment of Members and Quorum
5 6 7 8 9	FOR the purpose of altering the appointment process for licensed audiologist, hearing aid dispenser, and music therapist members of the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech—Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists; altering the requirements for a quorum of the Board; and generally relating to the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech—Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists.
11 12 13 14	BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Health Occupations Section 2–202(a)(1) and (2)(i), (v), and (vi) Annotated Code of Maryland (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
16 17 18 19 20	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Health Occupations Section 2–202(a)(5), (6), and (8) and 2–204(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
21 22	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
23	Article - Health Occupations
24	2–202.
25	(a) (1) The Board consists of 15 members





- 1 (III) FOR EACH MUSIC THERAPIST VACANCY, THE BOARD SHALL 2 NOTIFY ALL LICENSED MUSIC THERAPISTS IN THE STATE OF THE VACANCY TO 3 SOLICIT NOMINATIONS TO FILL THE VACANCY.
- 4 **[**(iii)**] (IV)** On or before December 31, 2021, the music therapist 5 members shall be board certified music therapists, as defined in § 2–4A–01 of this title.
- 6 [(iv)] (V) On or after January 1, 2022, the music therapist members 7 shall be licensed professional music therapists, as defined in § 2–4A–01 of this title.
- 8 2-204.
- 9 (a) A majority of the **APPOINTED** members [currently serving on] **OF** the Board[, 10 with at least 1 audiologist, hearing aid dispenser, speech—language pathologist, and music 11 therapist regulated under the provisions of this title being present,] is a quorum to do 12 business.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2025.