

Chapter 127

(House Bill 241)

AN ACT concerning

Business Occupations and Professions – State Boards and Commissions – Sunset Extensions

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Barbers, the State Board of Cosmetologists, the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors, the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers, Appraisal Management Companies, and Home Inspectors, and the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the boards and commission; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to submit certain reports to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee on or before a certain date; and generally relating to sunset extensions of State boards and commissions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 4–201, 5–201, 15–201, 16–201, and 21–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 4–702, 5–702, 15–702, 16–802, and 21–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

4–201.

There is a State Board of Barbers in the Department.

4–702.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2027] **2032**.

5–201.

There is a State Board of Cosmetologists in the Department.

5–702.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2027] **2032**.

15–201.

There is a State Board for Professional Land Surveyors in the Department.

15–702.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2027] **2032**.

16–201.

There is a State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers, Appraisal Management Companies, and Home Inspectors in the Department.

16–802.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2026] **2032**.

21–201.

There is a State Board of Individual Tax Preparers in the Department.

21–502.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2027] **2032**.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before July 1, 2030, the Maryland Department of Labor shall submit to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee,

in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, a report with information as determined by the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee for each of the following entities:

- (1) the State Board of Barbers;
- (2) the State Board of Cosmetologists;
- (3) the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors;
- (4) the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers, Appraisal Management Companies, and Home Inspectors; and
- (5) the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2026.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2026.